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Thoroughbreds

By Salvator

Stakes In California Warm Up Racing Picture As Mioland's Performances Make Threat

Things are beginning to warm up out California way.

The equine Argonauts that have flocked there in quest of the Golden Fleece—to wit, the \$100,000 Santa Anita and \$50,000 Golden Gate Handicaps—are some of them showing their wares as the latter of the two great prizes, which will be the first of them to be contested, is due to be run on February 15, it is only four weeks away.

Weights for the \$100,000 race are always announced early in December and for this renewal were given out on the 9th of last month.

With one exception, since its inauguration in 1935, a weight limit of 130 pounds for the top and 100 pounds for the bottom of the handicap has prevailed. This year it was sure to, as Challedon is to be the bright particular star and Mr. Brann has announced that in no case will he accept anything heavier for his champion.

This assured also that the same limit would prevail for the Golden Gate event, for the son of *Challenger II is cast for the same role on that occasion.

January 9 was the date for the publication of the imposts there and surely enough, Challedon leads with 130 pounds, in both.

Second honors went to *Kayak II, with 127 pounds in the \$50,000 and 129 pounds in the \$100,000 event.

His stable companion Mioland drew 124 pounds for each race, but in the Santa Anita was outpointed by the recently-imported Heliopolis, who was assigned 125 pounds.

Only one other entry was assigned as much as 120 pounds, in either handicap, that being the other recent importation Hunter's Moon, given 122 pounds at Santa Anita and not entered at Golden Gate.

The scale then begins at 118 pounds and tapers to the upset 100 in a series of imposts strikingly similar, as the entry lists are made up very largely of the same horses and the two handicappers have exhibited very largely the same estimates of their weight-carrying capacities.

What has stirred up interest so it is already beginning to seethe is the high form shown by Mioland, the C. S. Howard 4-year-old.

On January 1, he started in and won the \$10,000 added New Year's Handicap at Santa Anita, carrying 126 pounds, and winning by a neck from General Manager, to whom he gave 17 pounds.

On January 11 he started back there in the \$10,000 added San Pas-

Lewis Waring Chosen To Succeed Mr. Guest In United Hunts

At the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the United Hunts Racing Association, held Monday, January 13, Lewis E. Waring, secretary of the Association since 1929 and secretary and treasurer since 1935, was elected to the presidency, succeeding Raymond Guest who has served in this capacity for the past three years. Mr. Guest resigned his office due to his active duty in the United States Navy.

Mr. Waring has been the true spirit back of the United Hunts

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Second Brush Event At Agua Caliente To Somers Choice

Mrs. Hartley's Son Of Will Somers With Jockey King Up Bests Devolta

Mrs. Joyce M. Hartley's 'chaser Somers Choice, who galloped home to the place behind Yammer in the El Primero Handicap at Agua Caliente two weeks ago, showed an improvement over his earlier form by annexing the Mexican spa's second Sunday brush event on January 12. Youth bowed to its elders in this mile and three quarter claiming event, as the second horse to cross the line in a driving finish behind the 14-year-old son of Will Somers, Endurance II, was J. H. Morse's 11-year-old Devolta who has not been seen at the races in recent years, save his one attempt on the flat at Caliente last October.

Ridden by Jockey King and totting topweight of 143 pounds, the highly favored Somers Choice was brought home a good length before Devolta, 139, who in turn made good the place by the safer margin of four lengths over George Redsell's 5-year-old Glazewood, 130. The latter was an equal distance before R. H. Crawford's Perfect Liar, Maryland-bred gelding who has campaigned over jumps here in the east for the past several years.

Calling for competition from 4-year-olds and upwards, the race brought out nine starters, all of them nominees for the much publicized Gran Nacional Steeplechase to be run in March. Robert Duffy's Paul B. 139, R. P. Munro's Sunny Monday, 139, Robert Scott's Fencing Song, 139, F. H. Hammond's Shawnigan, 139, and F. D. Adams' Phantom Lee, 130, completed the field.

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American Horse Shows Association Holds Annual Meeting In New York

Many Prizes Offered For N. Y. Hound Show At Polo Club

The New York Hound Show to be held on January 31 under the auspices of the Masters of Foxhounds Association, the National Beagle Club and the American Foxhound Club closed its entries on January 17. The show will take place at the Rid-

ing and Polo Club in New York.

The largest number of entries will be in the American Foxhounds division and the 16 classes will be judged by Mr. Daniel C. Sands, M. F. H. of Middleburg, Va. Harriers have been gaining in popularity in this country during recent years and this year, for the first time, there will be 7 classes for harriers which have always been in the catalogue, and 7 classes for American Harriers (15 to 18 inches). These classes will all be judged by Mr. Harry T. Peters, Jr., of Syosset, L. I. Beagles are expected to have the second highest number of entries and the 21 classes will be judged by Mr. Dean Bedford of Fallston, Md. Mr. Frank B. Carter of Weston, Mass. will be the sole judge of Bassets which will compete in 7 classes. Mr. J. Stanley Reeve of Haverford, Pa. will judge the 8 classes of Welsh Foxhounds which may be either rough or broken coated. Another innovation this year will be the combination of English and Cross-bred Foxhounds in one division with 15 classes instead of having two separate groups as in former years.

The stewards for the day will all be practical hound men with many years of experience in the field. Mr. Edward H. Carle, ex-M. F. H. of Smithtown Hunt, Smithtown Branch, L. I., will again be the Chief Steward. The stewards are: Mr. J. Norris Thorne, Mr. F. L. Winston, Mr. Morris Groves, Mr. Robert Sedgwick, Mr. David Challinor, Mr. W. W. Watson, Mr. E. Mortimer Ward, Jr., Mr. John C. Steward, Mr. John B. H. Carter, Mr. Edward A. Hurd, Mr. W. W. Brainard, Jr., Mr. Thomas B. Haire, Mr. James S. Jones and Mr. Robert P. Gibb.

The show is divided into the following classifications: American Foxhounds, English and Cross-Bred Foxhounds and Welsh Foxhounds; Harriers; American Harriers; Bassets; Beagles, 13 inches and under; and the horn blowing contest open to huntsmen and whippers-in of recognized or registered packs of hounds or to amateurs in such positions.

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Adrian Van Sinderen Reviews Most Successful Year In History Of Organization

The Annual Meeting of the American Horse Shows Association Inc., was held on Friday, January 10, at the Waldorf Hotel in New York. Over 144 members and delegates attended the morning session, when dates were considered for shows to take place in 1941 and when other matters of business and consideration of rule changes were taken up.

Adrian van Sinderen, President, commencing his 5th year in this successful role, spoke at the luncheon meeting, wherein he brought out that the Association had had its most successful year in history. The financial circumstance of the Association was for the first time out of the red; the greatest number of horses in history were registered, 7,206 (against 6,762 in 1939 and 3,900 in 1938) and 190 Recognized Shows were enrolled during the past year. With the success of the past season in mind, Mr. Van Sinderen urged all possible steps be taken to continue the showing of horses in 1941 and sustain all shows in spite of the international situation.

Important changes in the Board of Directors took place through the death of Frank Adair of Atlanta, Ga., and the resignation of A. B. Dick, Jr. of Chicago, Ill., and W. T. Treadway, of St. Louis. Charles M. Fleischmann, after many years with the Association as secretary and treasurer, asked to be relieved and in his place Lewis M. Gibb of New York was appointed.

The Chronicle quotes from Mr. Van Sinderen's address:

"1. It is again my privilege to welcome you to this Annual Meeting.

"For the second time in a quarter of a century the world faces war; the intensity of the conflict colors the atmosphere in which our sport is carried on. A year ago, at the outbreak of hostilities, I ventured three statements through the columns of HORSE SHOW with regard to our attitude in the emergency. The belief was stated (1) that as individuals we should continue our leadership of the responsibilities which we have assumed and our support of the activities to which we are accustomed; (2) that this emergency would test our nerves and that the best antidote for the jitters is exercise and sport; and (3) that this Association, representing sportsmen the country over, should heed the call of sport until it receive the call of country.

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The Horseman's News

Identify Daughter First 2 Straight 2-Year-Old Winner

Alfred Vanderbilt's Petrify Defeats Field Of Nine In Second Santa Anita Victory

Alfred Vanderbilt's **Petrify**, home-bred, Maryland-born daughter of the young Sagamore sire **Identify** became the first 2-year-old to register two straight victories when she galloped home atop a field of nine youngsters in the three furlong sprint that opened the card at Santa Anita last Saturday, January 11. It was her first experience in the mud, save for recent workouts, and the filly responded well under pressure, leading the company all the way and crossing the line with a good length and a half to spare. Second and third behind her were two former winners in Robinson and Philpot's **Cherokee** gelding **Hooks**, who broke his maiden on January 3, and Miss Anita King's **Alexander Pantages** filly **Sagittal**, who did likewise on January 4. In her one other performance, on January 7, **Petrify** sped the same three furlongs on a fast track in the excellent time of .33 2-5. Just 3-5 of a second off the American record, set by **Galley Slave** in 1938.

T. D. Buhl's **Domkin**, a stakes winner at two and three who has been sprinting in company with horses of claiming variety lately, gained his first triumph of the new season when he led Lexington Stable's **Jayfee**, Mrs. L. Lazare's **John's Heir** and others home at Hialeah last Monday, January 13. The distance was six and a half furlongs and the Maryland-bred son of **Ladkin—Dominant** covered it in 1.12 4-5, exactly one second off the track record set by **Snark** four years ago. As a 2-year-old in 1939, **Domkin** won the St. Clair Stakes at Detroit and last year, returning to his home state, added

Mr. Von Stade Elected N. S. & H. A. President To Succeed Mr. Bull

At a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn., held Thursday, January 9, Henry W. Bull tendered his resignation as president of the Association due to ill health, feeling that it would be impossible to attend to the various duties in connection with the office. It was with sincere regret that the Stewards accepted Mr. Bull's resignation, for his long and faithful services in the interests of steeplechasing have been important to the best interests of racing, and have endeared him to all.

Mr. Bull's retirement brings his

the Rennert Handicap at Pimlico to his list of triumphs.

Gold Pomp, 3-year-old Virginia-bred Pompey gelding belonging to Loma Rica Rancho, started for the first time in almost a year last week and won in reputable fashion the six furlong allowance race that was the fifth offering on Santa Anita's January 8th card. As a 2-year-old at the beginning of last year, **Gold Pomp** displayed early aptitude by winning his first two starts, then ran last in one more effort, after which he never started again until a week ago. His owner, Errol MacBoyle bought **Gold Pomp** out of the A. B. Hancock consignment to the 1939 Spa sales ring, paying \$800 for him and the colt nearly doubled his purchase price with his first two starts. It would be interesting to know what caused his year's retirement.

The following list contains all the winners by sires from Atlantic Seaboard states which have scored during the past seven days, from Wednesday, January 8, through Tuesday, January 13.

CANTER (Md.)
Blacant, 5, b. g. (Black Momma, by "Light Brigade"), HIP, Jan. 13, 1½ mi., cl., 1.50 4-5 \$ 950

CHALLENGER II (Md.)
Chaldean, 4, b. c. (Flag Trick, by Penant), SA, Jan. 8, 7 f., allow., 1.23 1-5 \$ 1,000

UNIN, 8, ch. c. (Sweepless, by Sweeper), HIP, Jan. 14, 7 f., cl., 1.25 4-5 \$ 850

IDENTIFY (Md.)
Petrify, 2, ch. f. (San Rock, by Rock Man), SA, Jan. 11, 3 f., allow., 34 1-5 \$ 1,000

LADKIN (Md.)
Domkin, 4, dk. b. c. (Dominant, by Dominant), HIP, Jan. 13, 6½ f., cl., 1.16 4-5 \$ 850

MESSANGER (Va.)
Hoover, 3, ch. f. (Flutch, by Dixie Done), SA, Jan. 10, 6 f., cl., 1.12 4-5 \$ 1,000

Startor, 3, ch. g. (Fair Star, by "Wrack"), SA, Jan. 10, 1 mi., mdns., allow., 1.40 1-5 \$ 900

ON WATCH (Va.)
Jest Once, 5, dk. b. m. (Queen of Jest, by Black Jester), SA, Jan. 10, 1½ mi., cl., 1.54 \$ 1,000

Watch Over, 5, b. h. (Mina Over, by Bubbling Over), HIP, Jan. 8, 6½ f., cl., 1.20 1-5 \$ 850

FILATE (Va.)
White Hope, 4, br. g. (Donna B., by "Nonconformist"), HIP, Jan. 11, 1½ mi., cl., 1.53 \$ 850

POMPEY (Va.)
Gold Pomp, 3, ch. g. (Roxham Rose, by Stimulus), SA, Jan. 8, 6 f., allow., 1.11 3-5 \$ 850

Miss Thirteen, 3, ch. f. (Flora Mary, by "Sir Gallahad III"), HIP, Jan. 9, cl., 1.15 3-5 \$ 850

Pompey, 6, ch. h. (Keep On, by Friar Rock), SA, Jan. 9, 7 f., cl., 1.24 2-5 \$ 1,000

SUN BRIAR (Va.)
Felsun, 5, br. g. (Felside, by Fair Play), HIP, Jan. 9, 1½ mi., cl., 1.55 2-5 \$ 850

SIR GREYSTEEL (Md.)
White Hot, 7, ch. g. (Miss White, by Cicero), HIP, Jan. 9, 1 3-16 mi., cl., 2.03 1-5 \$ 850

TRAUMER (Va.)
Traumer's Girl, 3, blk. f. (Suntrite, by "Sun Brilar"), AGC, Jan. 12, 8 f., cl., 1.14 \$ 350

VALOROUS (Va.)
Valiant Boy, 7, b. g. (Crugie, by Broomstick), AGC, Jan. 12, 6 f., allow., 1.13 \$ 525

WESTWICK (Va.)
Bailwick, 7, ch. g. (Royal Chain, by "Royal Canopy"), HIP, Jan. 11, 1½ mi.,

active connection of almost three decades with the National Steeplechase and Hunt body to a close. F. Skiddy von Stade, New York Representative of the Hunts Committee for many years, a member of the Jockey Club and Vice-President of the Saratoga Association, was elected President, to fill Mr. Bull's vacancy. Just as Mr. Bull first was elected a member of the N. S. & H. A. in 1912, so too has Mr. von Stade been a member since this time, and a Steward since 1915.

The ex-President was first made a Steward in 1913, a position which he still retains. Mr. Bull was made Treasurer and Honorary Secretary, in 1916 and in 1929 he became President. During the years when Piping Rock continued racing in New York, Mr. Bull was an officer and one of the guiding figures of that organization. He also has been interested in various hunt race associations, is a Director of the West-

chester Racing Assn., and President of the Turf and Field Club.

John Strawbridge, of Philadelphia, an ardent supporter of Hunt Racing and steeplechasing for many years, was elected to the Vice-Presidency, according to Fred H. Parks, Secretary, and Earl S. Potter, of Long Island, a former amateur rider and owner, was elected Treasurer and Honorary Secretary. Mr. Potter is also a director and chairman of the race committee of the United Hunts, a committee member of the Virginia Gold Cup Association, and is actively connected with other hunt meetings.

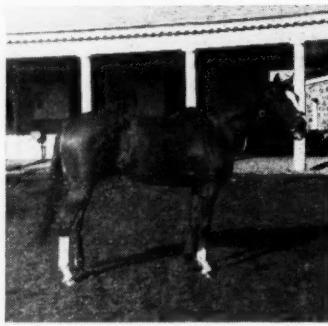
C. Mahlon Kline, of Philadelphia, well known owner and former amateur rider, who campaigned the late ill-fated **Whaddon Chase**, leading steeplechase money winner in 1939, was elected a member of the Association. Both Fred H. Parks, Secretary and John E. Cooper, Assistant Secretary, were re-elected.

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Rain having kept hounds at home for four days, our bitch pack met at Freehold on Tuesday, December 31st, having a fair day on two different hare... New Year's Day our dog hounds met at noon at east Freehold with the Master carrying the horn and a field of nearly fifty out. The weather was warm and clear and the going excellent. Drawing Mr. Perrine's north fields we got a hare up almost immediately. Making a beautiful line, she ran east across the road to the Wilson farm, directly through Mrs. Buckley's to the gravel road where she swung right. Hounds checked, casting themselves into the covert directly across the road, where a fox was viewed and went away. We left the hare and hounds were put on the fox's line. Scent was the best as hounds flew through the Slaight place to the Montrose road, across the upper Maisel farm and on through to the east Montrose road. Then through to Mr. Lehy's where he swung left and on across the lower Maisel farm to the Flock place where hounds checked. Here Mr. Haskell cast north which proved wrong and the fox was viewed south on the tar road. Hounds were lifted and hit off the line again immediately, running due west through the east part of the Lehy farm, across the Swimming River onto the Scholle place and straight on to Bucks Mills. Here the fox was headed by people following the hunt in automobiles. He turned east to the river where he was killed on the Furman farm. He must have made a twelve mile point, and we had had a fast two hours and ten minutes, with hard galloping, few checks and mostly over a perfect line of country. Some of the field pulled out, but the die-hards stayed on with the Master, who always tries to give us the maximum amount of sport on a holiday. We drew on back towards Montrose, looking unsuccessfully for a hare, where we met the vans and called it a day... Saturday January 4 the dog hounds again met at the kennels, having a fair day on two different foxes.... Sunday the 5th the paneling committee put on a treasure hunt. Over thirty people showed up at the Ruthrauff's, and after being paired off we were given the first of six clues which sent us all over the country-side. After about two hours Sylvie Beadleton and Jack Mellick rode in first, closely followed by Mrs. Haskell and young Amory. From then on people dribbled in to Ruthrauff's for tea, everyone having great tales of adventure to tell. Tom Field Jr., had the worst time, having found a clue to the treasure hunt Anne Haskell and Harriet Crane gave the preceding week, which sent him miles off the track.

In the main this was a good week. Good hound work. Good runs every hunting day except Saturday. And of course Saturday with Radnor as our guest we yearned and prayed for a particularly good run! A hard week, however, on horses. Beautiful clear weather overhead, except on Thursday, but frozen ground under foot. I much prefer soupy weather! I cringe inwardly every time I take a horse over a fence when the ground is like rough, unyielding brick bats.

Monday the 6th hounds met at the Kennels at eleven thirty. A small field followed Mr. Kerr and hounds through Mr. Henderson's to Garret Williamson's. In covert after covert they drew blank. Not until around 2 o'clock in Garret Williamson's woods did they confidently tongue forth their findings and swing chorusing around in a huge circle through Garret Williamson's, Snake House, Broad Lawn, and Mr. Battle's woods. An untiring fox and tenacious hounds, they kept circling for more than two hours with few checks and in fairly fast going. It was after four o'clock, when the fox leading back for the third time into Garret Williamson's, that Mr. Kerr decided to call it an afternoon.

Tuesday hounds met at Mr. Jefford's gate at one thirty. A big field of thirty or more. Louis, my colored groom, and I were out mainly to exercise two three year olds (coming four), a King Arthur colt and a Roigrey filly. As these two gay young things had not been out since September, we kept discreetly to the rear, and took little active

However everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and a nice sum was realized to aid in paneling our country.

Monday, January 6th, the bitch pack met at Tinton Falls. Only a small field was out to brave the zero weather, and as scenting proved impossible on the frozen ground plus the disadvantage of high winds, we only stayed out a short time.... Wednesday January 8th the dog hounds met at Phalanx, but as the cold weather continued, hunting was almost impossible and though we accounted for two hare we again only stayed out a short time.... Saturday January 11th the dog hounds met at Jerseyville. The dreadful weather continued but we had a fair sort of a day. First ran a hare through Dr. Reynolds farm. She circled back and into the south wood where we killed her. An hour later, we got up another hare and had a really excellent hunt on her, considering the scenting conditions. It was a slow hunt, but a pleasure to watch hounds work the line.

part in the run that started in Harvey Yarnall's woods and galloped through Mr. Jefford's and on across Turtle Back Hill and Sycamore Mill Road into Black Oak Farm—a good fast run. After being in the thick of the going through Harvey Yarnall's and taking "the babies" over several two rails, I thought they'd had enough—especially in view of the frozen ground—and so we discreetly "hill topped"! Not bad, but not my choice—ever!

Thursday at one thirty hounds sallied forth from the Kennels—that's exactly what they did!—with gay waves of their sterns and wise wagging of their beautiful long ears as if to say "Now, friends, this will be an afternoon!" And, friends, it was an afternoon! In the Building Lots, after drawing blank in the coverts en route, hounds sailed away on a burst of music across the road into the Green Briars and on into Mr. Battle's. They circled merrily around on the line of a rather cagey pilot and then followed him back across the road through the woods into the Building Lots. From here the fox

led straight on through the Gorman fields to the green briars on the hill south of McCullough's woods where he went to earth. Hardly had we gathered ourselves together when in the woods ahead we heard a beautiful authoritative bell-like "Hark!" "That's Music!" said Albert Crossan. The bitch is well named, for to me she has the finest voice in the pack. When she speaks she always makes music worth listening to! The hounds turned responsively at once to her clear true call and in about one minute they were again going on their second fox. They swung on a circle around and through McCullough's woods, fast going, until this fox too cried "enough!" and went to earth. Mr. Kerr now decided to draw on into Allen's Hollow. "Why Allen's Hollow today?" groaned the field. "Even on a sunny day," said Lois Thayer, "Allen's Hollow makes me think of the dead." And why not, thought I, it bounds St. Peter's and St. Paul's! (St. Peter's and St. Paul's is to be some day a Catholic ceme-

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Saturday, January 11

Middleburg had another great day when hounds met at Glenwood. Hardly had hounds drawn the covers on Sunnybank than they crossed the road to the east and bolted a fox in a determined fashion and streamed away through Black Swamp at a driving pace. The ground was hard, the fields were rattling with the hooves of hunters and it was no day to sit down and ride.

However, followers were able to stay close, picking their way through the fields and keeping off the north slopes. Miss Laura Sprague, Honorary Whipper-in and Ludington Patton had the good fortune to go the whole way, over Institute mountain and on the long right handed swing towards Aldie and back to Irving Leith's. Other followers had sufficient galloping for the day, though they did not see hounds for nearly 50 minutes.

Hounds drove this fox in a circuit of over 18 miles, down almost to Oak Hill in an hour and 35 minutes in all.

Monday, January 13

The meet was at Mountville. Hounds had three foxes up during the day. The first two provided but bursts, but the third sent followers on a splendid romp again into the Institute reaches.

The going was perfect, the cold weather of the previous week had abated a bit and the ground had thawed. There was a good two hours in all of hound work on the three foxes, the final run giving followers well over an hour.

There was much good jumping and scenting conditions couldn't have been improved upon. The tally was three up, two in and one unaccounted for.

It was a long day for those who preferred to remain out until Huntsman Maddox brought hounds in.

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The meet was eleven o'clock, an hour later than the usual time, to benefit by the bright sun and the warmth of the day that the going and scenting conditions would be best.

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Friday January 10

The scheduled meet for this day was postponed, due to hard going, the countryside was frozen.

Tuesday January 14

A meet was called at Grafton, home of the Master, Dr. A. C. Randolph, at 1 P. M. A goodly field of fool-hardies turned out, numbering over thirty, and the clatter of horses only moving about on the sod field, by the small house on Grafton, sounded like a rattling cavalry charge down a macadam highway. Where the grass was cropped closer the ring was the louder but the hunting this day was not to take place on the manicured lawn of Grafton. Out in the sod fields it was better, but the ground was colder than the air and there seemed little likelihood of good scenting conditions.

In due time, hounds had a fox going, viewing him away back of Grafton and he made for the sand-clay road and crossed into the Slater's to the east. Hounds worked keenly, but the scent was catchy. They would fly for yards and then dwell for minutes. One could stay up near at a trot, and well it was, for it was no day for racing over the turf.

In the course of 40 minutes, hounds worked this fox as he circled right-handed, to the south and then swung to the west, going across the spacious well kept acres of the Paul Mellons'. Followers jumped where they had to, but gates were opened all the way across Rokeye and hounds ran right through the point-to-point course.

This scribe has waited all year for such a course to be run and it was a crying shame that hounds could not make it out faster, for so slow they went that there was little sense in jumping the good post-and-rails there. To the gates and back and around past the Sterling Clark stud farm hounds worked their fox, where formerly stood *Rosolio and *By Pass II. *Rosolio is now in Ireland and *By Pass II is doing well, getting winners in California, where it is reported his present owners, Mr. and Mrs. James Rolph III, who paid \$1,600 at the Maryland Fall Sales recently refused \$35,000 for the 10-year-old son of Phalaris—Anonyma by Swynford.

Cars, with hilltoppers, the bane of existence to all hunting establishments and foxhounds, were met at every turn in the road and on every bye-road, yet they gave opportunity for keen and anxious husbands and spouses to keep track of their fox-hunting mates. A day was called when hounds gave it up in cattle, not a stone's throw from Grafton's portals.

N. Y. HOUND SHOW

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HORN BLOWING CONTEST

Prizes

The New York Hound Show offers a first prize of \$15, a second prize of \$10, and a third prize of \$5.

to the Huntsman of each hound division (American, English or Cross-bred, Welsh, Harriers, American Harriers, Bassets and Beagles) winning the most "Points."

"Points" will be counted as follows:—Winner of a Pack Class 10 points; second in Pack Class 6 points; third in Pack Class 4 points; best dog 5 points; best Bitch 5 points; in the other classes Blue Ribbon 3 points; Red Ribbon 2 points; Yellow Ribbon 1 point. (No points will be awarded for winning Class 15).

The Masters of Foxhounds Association offers special Foxhound Stirrup Cups for the best Dog and best Bitch in the American, English or Cross-bred, Welsh, Harrier, American Harrier, and Basset hound divisions.

The National Beagle Club offers Four Gold Club Medals; one to the best Dog and one to the best Bitch 13 inches and under; one to the best Dog and one to the best Bitch over 13 inches and not exceeding 15 inches.

The National Beagle Club offers a cash prize of \$15 to the Huntsman of the best Beagle Pack, and \$10 to the Huntsman of the second best Beagle Pack.

The American Foxhound Club Challenge Cup has been presented to the New York Hound Show by the Millbrook Hunt for the best American Foxhound in the show, either

sex, to be won five times by the same owner, not necessarily in succession.

The Welsh Hound Association of Wales offers a Perpetual Challenge Cup for the best Welsh Hound, Dog, or Bitch, entered or eligible for entry in the Welsh Hound Association Stud Book. Hounds must be Rough or Broken Coated. Certificate as to qualification may be required.

A Challenge Trophy is offered by Mr. Newbold Ely's Hounds, to become the property of the exhibitor winning it three times, not necessarily in succession, for the best Welsh Hound of either sex, and provided there are entries by at least two different exhibitors.

The Meadow Brook Hounds offer a trophy for the best American Pack.

The Shelburne Foxhounds offer a trophy for the best English or Cross-bred Pack.

The Millbrook Hunt offers a trophy for the best Harrier Pack.

The Monmouth County Hunt offers a trophy for the best Beagle Pack.

The Vernon Somerset Beagles offer a trophy for the best Basset Pack. The Fairfield and Westchester Hounds offer a trophy for the best American Harrier Pack.

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LADY TASKA, B. m., 1930. **Bondage** (winner 8 Stakes and Handicaps)—Taska by *Order. Next dam, BARBARA GRAY, dam of Stakes winner, BUGLER. Next dam, the great mare, LADY LONGFELLOW. This mare was bred for the first time last year and is barren. She is not diseased. Unless sold, goes to Kentucky Jan. 20th for the breeding season. \$1,000.

BONNIE MAY, B. m., 1929. *Wrack—Bonnie Maginn by *War Cloud. Dam of Stakes winner, BONNIE SEA (holder of two track records), and two other foals. BONNIE MAGINN was Stakes winner and is dam of BONDSMAN (Stakes winner in England), etc. 2nd dam, BONNIE MARY, was Stakes winner and produced two Stakes winners. Third dam, BELGRAVIA, was dam of BLACK TONEY, etc. Barren. This mare will also go to Kentucky Jan. 20th for the breeding season.

ROYAL CHAIN, Gr. m., 1926. *Royal Canopy—Lady Chain by Trap Rock. Dam of five winners including CHAIN (\$12,985), ROYAL LINK (\$9,770). Her only other foal to race, started once and was second. LADY CHAIN did not race—is dam of four winners. The next dam, MOISANT, won five Stakes and produced LORD BALTIMORE, etc. Barren. This mare also goes to Kentucky Jan. 20th for the breeding season. \$2,500.

SLEEK, Br. m., 1932. Ariel—Petie by *Pataud. Her first foal is now two. SLEEK was a good race mare, winning at various distances, including 6 furlongs in 1:11 2-5; (record is 1:09 1-5); and 1 mi. and 70 yds. in 1:42 3-5, (record is 1:40 3-5). PETIE won \$18,836 and is 100% producer. The next dam, SAN ANDRES, won and produced the Stakes winner, BALBEK, etc., and the dams of a great many winners. In foal to WHICHONE. \$2,500.

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Thoroughbreds

By Salvator

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qual Handicap, which he won going away. This time he carried 130 pounds and gave General Manager, again second, 18 pounds. Behind them in both races were a number of the supposedly best candidates for the two great money prizes.

The distance in the New Year's Handicap was one mile. That in the San Pasqual was nine furlongs. The Golden Gate Handicap will also be at nine furlongs, but the Santa Anita will be at a mile and a quarter, or a furlong farther.

However, last season in his 3-year-old form Mioland showed that distance has no terrors for him. And in consequence the speculators who have been keeping Challedon a strong favorite in the two auriferous stakes, every day coming nearer and nearer, are beginning to scratch their heads.

As between Challedon and *Kayak II, they have already met three times and each time Challedon was the winner. As *Kayak II, after the early spring, was in poor form during 1940, there has been little disposition to take him very seriously—but now the news is that he is working to order, and as he will run paired with Mioland, it looks as if Mr. Brann's colt is not in for any picnics.

What adds to the problem is the fact that the winter thus far in California has been a wet one—so wet that the new Golden Gate course has been unfit for use and the management has been obliged to postpone the opening of the inaugural meeting, the State Horse Racing Board pronouncing it unsafe.

Should the footing continue bad, or just chance to be on February 15, Challedon may not start, for Mr. Brann is much averse to racing him under high weight in the mud and in the past has repeatedly scratched him under such circumstances.

Beyond this, even by March 1, when Santa Anita stages her \$100,000 handicap, there's no predicting the weather. Several times in the past the event has come near being rained out.

As Mioland has just shown that he's a real "mudder"—as he did last summer in the American Derby—and that 130 pounds don't sit heavily upon him—well, as has been said, the interest in the meeting between him and Challedon is near the boiling point.

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Some Remarks On J. B. van Urk's Hunting Book

The Story Of American Foxhunting Is Great Addition To Our Sporting Literature

By HARRY WORCESTER SMITH, ex-M. F. H.
For the Sake of Sport In America

Since 1880 when I began to be interested in foxhunting in America I have often wondered who would ever have the ability, time and patience to look up the true facts of the history and making of the American hound.

A. Henry Higginson and Julian I. Chamberlain in their work The Hunts of the United States and Canada (1908) simply gave a sketch of the hunts in the eastern states and Canada where the fox was pursued in the English method.

Then Joseph B. Thomas brought out Hounds and Hunting Through the Ages (1928).

A few other books have been published principally on the promotion of certain breeds such as The Bird-song, July, Trigg and Williams hounds, often published so as to popularize the writer's hounds or to help their sale, for unfortunately a great many hound breeders are dog dealers.

There are dog dealers and dog dealers. Were I to select one sportsman who sells some of his hounds and has done more than most others to uplift the standard and beauty of the American hound I would name S. L. Wooldridge of Versailles, Ky.

The Southern foxkilling type of hound has no more ardent champion than Mr. Wooldridge who at once accepted the Brunswick Foxhound Club Standard, aided in the founding of hounds shows all over the south and through his foxhound weekly, The Chase, registered the pedigrees of hundreds and hundreds of foxhounds and has given pleasure and honest instruction to thousands of his readers.

For years he has had a pack of hounds and his advertisement of the "Walker hound with the Wooldridge finish" is now a trade-mark of quality to hound lovers.

And now like a bolt from the blue comes J. Blan van Urk who by the printed page has shown his findings and his method of placing them fairly before his readers. His book is most thorough, instructive, and interesting.

The author besides being an historian and a writer is also a fearless man to hounds, and from personal experience I can truthfully say he is

"A hard one to follow,
A bad one to beat."

To anyone who takes up this volume, he will at once appreciate why on the leaf following the dedication page are found standing alone the words of Cicero:

"Not to know what has been transacted in former times

Is always to remain a child."

And surely many of us were children, for how few appreciated that there were 36 organizations and clubs for hunting the fox before 1865 together with 92 privately owned packs and don't think the latter were just "a small cry of hounds" for I have hunted with many of them and on my wedding tour almost 50 years ago was the guest of the family of Peter Hairston at Cooleemee Plantation on the Yadkin River,

North Carolina, and was in correspondence with many of the other masters listed while laying the foundation of my Grafton pack.

Opening the book we find a copy of the first page of The Virginia Gazette from "Friday 3rd to Friday December 10, 1736," and it tells how a gallant foxhunter after enjoying a hunt began his story of the sport with the words "I hear the cry of hounds", and this was 40 years before the Revolution.

Later on appears a reprint from the Pennsylvania Gazette February 1, 1790 where an aged farmer complains against one who has shown himself as an ingrate by having published a Piece in the Newspaper against the amusement of foxhunting.

The words which follow by A. G. Bradley in Exmoor Memories show that Foxhunting in America was perhaps pursued as early as it was in England.

"Many readers no doubt will need reminding that the pursuit of the fox was only inaugurated in England in the eighteenth century." It was a surprise, a discovery; Hunting vermin was hitherto an undreamed-of enterprise and provoked at first much ridicule. One need not say that wherever it has been carried on outside the British Isles it is an importation from them. At any rate in Parson Russell's early days he had to fight an old-rooted tradition of fox-killing in North Devon. The animal was simply regarded as a public enemy. Head money was paid for them. When one was marked to ground, whether on the snow or otherwise, the church bells were rung loudly to announce the fact to the parish. Mr. Russell used to relate that he has heard the bells of three

churches ringing out the locating of foxes in a single day. It was then his custom to hurry to the spot, not only to secure the fox—for these old sportsmen were reduced to hunting "bagmen" at one time—but to harangue the diggers on the greater sport that he would show them by this method of killing them. In short he was a marvellous man in his own line, so much so indeed that the obvious criticism on such an engrossing calling for a parson hardly seems worth while.

Next to the Quorn the Belvoir and three or four other hunts in the Shires the most noted pack is that of the Duke of Beaufort at Badminton and in the history of the hunt we find that the hounds were first used regularly to hunt the deer, but one day in 1762 a fox found in Silk Woods gave them such a grand run that thereafter red reynard was the quarry, not the antlered stag.

A few pages further in Mr. van Urk's book we find quotations which prove that the sport was carried on vigorously in the eighteenth and early nineteen centuries in the states.

The New York Gazette and Weekly Mercury, Monday, November 11, 1779, "A fox full grown, and fit for the chase to be sold. Inquire of Hugh Gain."

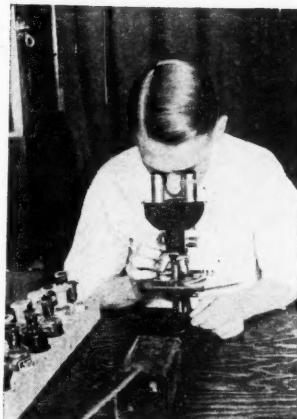
The Daily Advertiser November, 11 1791, "Foxhunting—on Wednesday the 6th instant, the dogs will be let off at Kissing Bridge, Marsh, Huntsman."

The Royal Gazette October 13, 1794,

"Hunting—A number of excellent foxhounds having with great difficulty been collected, notice is hereby given that they will be hunted

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Comparison Of English And American Foxhunting Procedure In The Field

Difference In Conditions Responsible For Difference In Methods Of Hunting In Two Countries

By A. Henry Higginson, M. F. H.

In a recent letter to me, the publisher of *The Chronicle*, says:—
"You must be having one Hell of a time over there. If you have time, could you write us an article on the various methods which English huntsmen use in casting hounds, once a fox has been found,—and lost. Also,—which should come first,—the methods used in drawing coverts to find a fox. The comparison with what is not done, many times through lack of knowledge in this country, would be interesting."

Well,—we are "having a Hell of a time" over here, but it is a thrilling time, an inspiring time, and one that I wouldn't have missed for worlds. The example which the British race has set to the world by the calm, cool way in which they take punishment, will never be forgotten by anyone who has seen it. Hitler's bombers come over day and night and bomb indiscriminately military objectives,—when they can hit them,—and the houses of the rich and poor alike, in an attempt to shake the courage of the inhabitants. Except that they create havoc, and that they engender bitter anger and fierce determination to win the War and stamp out forever the spirit of the Nazi Dictators, they accomplish nothing. I have not been to London since the "Blitzkreig" started, but I have seen many people who have, and they all tell me that the spirit in the city is identical with that shown throughout the countryside, where I have had a chance to see it for myself. Not so long ago, I told a story of what happened in the hunting field. That was a true story, and though I have not come across another such dramatic performance, I rather think that there will be many others which show a similar spirit before the War is ended.

So much for that. Now to answer your query. Yes, I have time to write such an article as you suggest,—I've always time to write for *The Chronicle*, which I consider the best publication of its kind that has been brought out in the United States in recent years; a paper which fills a much-needed gap in the periodicals of the sporting world of America. I have seen several such papers started, and they usually developed into papers which, while they may be more ornamental on the drawing room table, contain far less information which the average hunting or racing man wants to read. May *The Chronicle* never degenerate into one of that class. No matter how busy I was, Mr. Publisher, I should try to write you what you want, though you have set me rather a hard task.

I will tell you why. Do you remember a famous ballad by Kipling, "The Ballad of East and West?" Do you remember how it begins?

"Oh, East is East and West is West, and never the twain shall meet." Well,—what Kipling wrote about the differing creeds of human nature is equally true of foxhunting; for American and British conditions are very, very different. For more than thirty years I hunted the fox in America, and although, during that time, I made several pilgrimages to the land where foxhunting was born,—where it is almost a national institution,—I never realized until I came to England to live, how great the differences in the methods followed in the two countries were. In fact, it was not until I had hunted an English pack in an English country that I recognized what caused those differences. Long before I crossed the ocean I realized that it needed a huntsman who possessed sufficient intelligence to adapt his methods to the country which he hunted, to ensure success. It takes more than that; it takes time,—time in which to study the climatic and topographic conditions which exist in any given country,—before one can give a really good account of oneself in the field.

And so, when you imply that failure sometimes comes from lack of knowledge, I think I must take issue with you, and change the wording to "lack of study and application to the conditions which exist in any specified country." There are, however, certain rudimentary rules, which must always apply; and perhaps by citing a few of these, I may be able to write something of help to the beginner.

Let us, then, take up the question of procedure in drawing coverts to find a fox, first. You (and when I say "you", I am addressing the huntsman) ought to know where a fox is likely to be found, and that will depend, to a great degree, on (1) the season of the year, (2) the condition of the weather, and (3) the time of day. Let us take these variants up in the order named. Early in the season before the frost has set in, and while the leaves are still on the trees and the undergrowth has not been cut by the frost, you will often find foxes in dampish withy-beds and low swampy land, where the undergrowth is almost impenetrable. They will rarely be there later in the season. Later in the year, they are far more likely to be found curled up under some clump of bushes, or in winter, when the wet places in the swamps are frozen, they may be curled up on a tussock in the centre of a wet marsh, where you would never find them at another time of year. The condition of the weather has much to do with their possible resting-places; if it is a cold, raw, windy day, it is perfectly useless to look for foxes in an exposed spot; he has a warm fur coat, to be sure, but he is just as fond of his comforts as you are, and he will be curled up in the sun, just where you would be, where it is warm. Trust him for that. On a bright, sunny day he might well be anywhere, depending to a certain extent on the time of day, which brings us to the last variant of which I spoke. If you are still

cubhunting, the chances are that you will find your first fox shortly after dawn. Scent lies better then, except under exceptional weather conditions. Moreover, foxes usually lie up during the early part of the day, whereas by the afternoon, they will have slept off the effects of a heavy meal and will be off on their travels. The average American pack meets at eight or nine o'clock (or at least it used to, when I hunted in the United States). Over here, we have our cubhunting meets, during warm weather, early; but we think that, once the warm weather is passed, as a rule scent lies best about three o'clock in the afternoon, which is when many of the best hunts start. Such is the general run of things; though, as I say, conditions vary in different countries; and the best rule is to study local conditions.

There are, however, two rules that can be adhered to on most occasions with good effect. In drawing covert, always, if possible, draw upwind, so as to give your hounds the best possible start with their quarry. In drawing big woodlands, make noise enough.—I mean by that, use your voice freely, and let your hounds know where you are, at all times; else they may become worried as to where you are (hounds hate to be left behind) and stop hunting.

When you have found your fox, get away as close behind him as you can. Remember that "a fox well found is half killed", and once your hounds have hit off the line and settled to it, let them alone. They know far more than you do; be very sure of that. Keep your eyes on the leading hounds, and if you see them falter, make a mental note of which hound faltered and which way he swung, even if the pack goes on. If the cry stops, and they cast themselves, hold up your hand to stop the oncoming Field. The master should do it for you; or if you are a master hunting your own hounds, you should have a field master who knows enough to do so; but do not touch your hounds. Stand still and make the Field stand still, and keep quiet. One of the greatest huntsmen that ever lived has said that it was a gross impertinence to touch hounds until they had made their own cast and failed. Then there will come a moment when they will never forget it, and will trust you forever after. You ought to be making up your mind just where that fox has gone, while you are watching hounds cast themselves, and if their cast fails, hold them up into the wind first, and then, if they do not hit off the line, make the cast which you should have already thought out. Do you remember that I told you to make a mental note of any hound that faltered? If that hound was a trustworthy one, it may well be that your fox went off at a tangent at that time, and it would be well to try back to that spot. I am only suggesting; I cannot tell,—no one can,—what might happen in individual cases in varying countries. A good huntsman is a student of nature; he ought to think like a fox; he ought to know what foxes have done under similar conditions on former occasions. He ought to have the memory of an elephant; he ought never to forget.

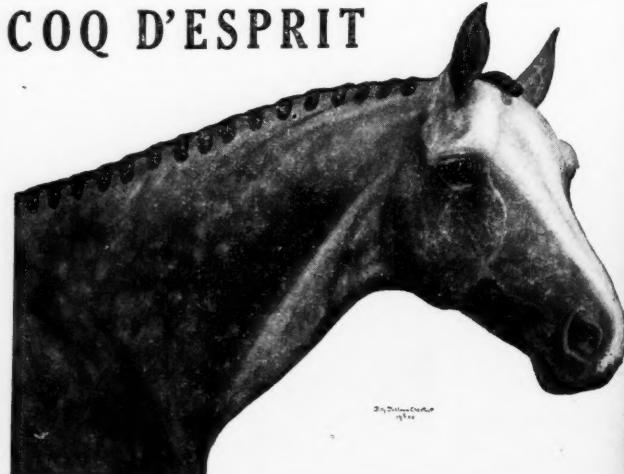
I am afraid that my suggestions have been very elementary; but in a comparatively short article, such as this, I cannot go into the subject fully. My last word of advice is to study your country; study your foxes; and, above all, study your hounds. Know which to trust, and remember one thing,—if some member of the Field, or a looker-on on his feet, tells you that your fox has gone to the left, and your hounds tell you that he has gone to the right,—trust your hounds. They make few mistakes; and those that you do not trust had better be drafted.

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ANNUAL FORT BENNING HUNTER TRIALS HELD IN GEORGIA, INFANTRY SCHOOL HUNT



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In the center foreground is Col. Chauncey E. Cook, master of hounds. From left to right are: Lieut. Col. Thomas F. Taylor, Mrs. Wendell H. Langdon, Lieut. Col. Remington Orsinger, Mrs. Remington Orsinger, Mrs. James A. Lewis, Capt. George A. Smith and Capt. Alston Grimes.

OVER A GEORGIA CHICKEN COOP, MR. WOOLFLEY, JR. AND MRS. F. J. VIDA



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Francis Woolfley, Jr. took part in the Fort Benning Hunter Trials, riding WOOLFLOWER, pictured above. Right, Mr. Woolfley is the son of Lieut. Col. Francis A. Woolfley, Sr. Mrs. F. J. Vida, left, rode SISTER SUSIE, a member of the 2nd place winning hunt team. Earl Tweed rode GOOD NEWS to win the Master's Plate, featured event.

HONEYMOONED IN HUNTING FIELDS



The John B. Hannum, Jr.s. spent their fortnight honeymoon in Virginia hunting fields. Mrs. Hannum is the former Nancy Penn Smith, daughter of Mrs. Plunket Stewart. Mr. and Mrs. Hannum have gone to Carlisle, Pa. where Mr. Hannum is studying law.

HAPPY HUNTING THEN HONEYMOONING



Mrs. Livingston Hazard and William P. Hulbert were married on Wednesday, January 15th and will honeymoon after the hunting is over. Both have been enthusiastic followers of Middleburg for some years. Mr. Hulbert is a noted whip, his four in hand being a familiar sight along Virginia sand clay roads.

A CORINTHIAN MOVER—AN OWNER UP



The former, Miss Mary Thompson, a regular with Rolling Rock and Chestnut Ridge Hunts (Pa.) is pictured above on her SENSATIN, a bold moving corinthian type. Her mother, Mrs. Andrew A. Thompson, recently announced her daughter's marriage to James H. Austin III, Tuesday, December 31st. Miss Evelyn Thompson, sister, is Joint Master of Chestnut Ridge.

FRIDAY

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ter, but is yet in use himself across boundary to Hollow! Side the way was warm and drew the music echo of hounds in the fields inson's men through to fox turned Hutchinson St. Peter's Hollow. Then us left by the and as we within the we decided longer and we might harried the and ran straight until five Mr. Kerr had of darkness hounds then to Club and

Saturday thirty five brave field eleven o'clock Radnor in array of pines. Moreover having them O'Neal and Crossan as gala start, in the pines and followed Rawle Farm through meadows and fields at the pines back he turned a the crowd which he started woods but the field to Here on a not to follow Pike into Fall Radnor hardly seemed home! Back hounds drew our most favorite never a white barometer and nipped more and with can roads and country decided followed toward along beautiful Creek some compensations when foxes Woods patter trees with "ch cut through of the creek running between frosty forgotten us as last our stoutest

At last in bounds got on away in mad until Mr. Kerr them off. At they elded it was the house where Mr. his son Walter field at breakfast and indeed at Robinson, Sr. Mr. At the club food and drink recalcitrant to

gestion of Mr.

ROSE TREE

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ter, but its cheerful fields are not yet in use, praise be!) The Pope himself couldn't ask for more fitting boundary for a cemetery than Allen's Hollow! Some of us shivered outside the woods and wondered if it was warm in heaven, while hounds drew the gloomy coverts. Presently music echoed through the woods and hounds in happy chorus led across the fields and road into Dr. Hutchinson's meadow and straight on through to Kennel Road. Here the fox turned and led back through Dr. Hutchinson's and Mr. Austin's and St. Peter's and St. Paul's into Allen's Hollow. There were only three of us left by this time—it was about 4—and as we heard only silence from within the dark portals of the woods, we decided it was fruitless to wait longer and so pulled out. Of course—we might have known it! Hounds harried the fox into the open again and ran straight and fast and true until five o'clock. At which hour Mr. Kerr had to whip off on account of darkness and he and Crossan and hounds then sallied themselves back to Club and Kennels!

Saturday Rose Tree Hounds, thirty five couple strong, viewed a brave field at the Rawle Farm at eleven o'clock, both Rose Tree and Radnor in gala mood and in gala array of pink coats and top hats. Moreover hounds (Mr. Kerr hunting them and Radnor's Jimmy O'Neal and Joe Bird helping Albert Crossan as whippers-in) made a gala start, for they found at once in the pines north of Mr. Piersol's and followed the line left into the Rawle Farm woods and left again through meadows and across hills and fields and Gradyville Road into the pines back of Mr. Collins'. Here he turned and led back straight as the crow flies to the pines from which he started. Left again into the woods but then right and on across the field to the West Chester Pike. Here on a check Mr. Kerr decided not to follow the fox on across the Pike into Radnor territory. After all Radnor was our guest and it hardly seemed polite to take them home! Back in Rose Tree coverts, hounds drew blank after blank. Even our most faithful haunts yielded never a whisper. With a falling barometer and a rising wind that nipped more bitterly every minute and with cars and people flooding roads and country side, foxes cannily decided to lie a-bed. But as we followed towards Sycamore Mills along beautiful winding Ridley Creek some of us knew there were compensations to fox huntings even when foxes refused to run. The woods patterned between great bare trees with "cloistered sunlight" and cut through by the winding waters of the creek that ran dark and shining between brief white borders of frosty forgotten snow will linger with us as long and as vividly as our stoutest "Tally ho!"

At last in sheer despair as 'twere, hounds got on a deer and chorused away in mad excitement for a mile until Mr. Kerr succeeded in calling them off. At this point Mr. Kerr decided it was time to go to the club house where Mr. Louis Robinson and his son Walter were entertaining the field at breakfast, only the field was indeed at the absence of Mr. Robinson, Sr. ill at home with the flu. At the club under the spur of food and drink everyone forgot about recalcitrant foxes and, at the suggestion of Mr. Jackson and Mr. Kerr,

FARMINGTON HUNT CLUB

Charlottesville, (Box 1),
Virginia.
Established 1929.
Recognized 1932.



Hounds went away from the Kennels Tuesday morning December 31 at 10 a. m. Conditions were not of the best as it was a windy day, with the going deep. Foxes seemed to appreciate these difficulties however, for there were too many abroad to have good sport.

After drawing the pine forest behind the Kennels blank, we moved on through Catlin's and the Brown place to the Rainer woods. In the Rainer woods hounds struck a line that carried us around Durret's and Huffard's to the Watson farm, where the reds must have been holding a mass meeting! Hounds went away from Watson's in a flash, with a fox in every direction. Some turned left and went on to the Catlin woods, others righthanded and on to "Ingleridge", while some went on straight ahead through Conner's and across the road to the Garth farm.

We galloped on through Garth's and "the Hundred Acres" to the Barracks road, where scent failed. With hounds so scattered, and the rising wind making it impossible to hear anything...we called it a day.

Too bright and early for some, thirty five energetic ones turned out New Year's morning at ten o'clock at the Kennels. Among them was Miss Joan Patterson down from East Orange N. J. to hunt in Va. for the first time. While hacking away from the Kennels up the Garth road to Renwick's, some of the fresher looking members of the field grinned in sympathy and ventured to remark to others that next year one should have the foresight to take it easy on New Year's Eve.... while the others dolefully and gingerly shook their heads and thought longingly of home.

All thoughts of heads and such soon vanished as after drawing Renwick's blank we hacked on over many fences to the Lamb farm and Kimball's mountain. For Kimball's mountain again held our fox, the same red that gave us a grand day on Christmas Eve. With hounds working through the woods on Kimball's mountain, it was not very long before our holiday conscious fox broke covert. The beautiful big red afforded an excellent view as he turned to the right and crossed Lamb's open fields to Horace Garth's.

I might do well to copy last Tuesday's notes word for word from here on, for this fox again made straight for the Skyline Drive hideout. Running this day at a faster clip and with a sureness lacking before, hounds were pushing him with equal determination.

On they went, through Renwick's, Carr's, Clingman's—across the Garth road into the "Fox Fields" woods. Many were those who pulled out by

drank happily to present and future Radnor-Rose Tree meets.

One parting word as to hounds. They have worked really well all week. Individual honors, I believe, go to Singer. He has been "doin' hisself proud," as Louis would say. Time and again this week it has been Singer who was leading, Singer who was picking up the line and telling the others to hurry up. Singer, now in his fourth season, is coming to full stature, a hound to be reckoned with. Helen and Harmony, look to your laurels!

the time we reached "Fox Fields", but a goodly number kept on after hounds. Through the Rhodes place to recross the Garth road into Mott's we galloped hard, and on to the George Douglas farm. As before, hounds had crossed the Mechum river and entered the mountains proper. Only four of the field of thirty-five were there that went on behind hounds to Free Union, from the Douglas farm—and your scribe is forced to admit that she was not one of the four. We hill topped at the Douglas farm till hounds were out of hearing in the mountains, then hacked back to the waiting Hunt Breakfast at the Clubhouse. The four that went on telephoned by four o'clock (it was three thirty before your scribe reached the Clubhouse) that Reynard had finally gone to earth—and to have their vans sent to them at Free Union.

Upon returning to the Clubhouse we learned that there was one mar on this otherwise perfect day. Miss Torrance Rinehart, daughter of joint M. F. H. Rodger Rinehart, suffered a broken collar bone when her horse failed to negotiate a stiff plank fence at the Renwick farm. The drag pack did not go out on Saturday, January 4 due to rain.

Hounds met Tuesday morning, January 7, at Mr. and Mrs. Algernon Craven's "Still House". Although the meet was carded for 10:30 that morning a chilly leaden sky and ground frozen quite solidly dampened spirits considerably.

A field of twenty moved off behind M. F. H. Mrs. Jones, as hounds were cast just back of Craven's on the thickly wooded "Still House" mountain.

Hounds succeeded in working up one line which led us through Coldthirst's farm to Farmington, but from there on all attempts seemed futile. Although hounds tried valiantly for several hours, first one covert then another, all were drawn blank—and we called it a day.

Thursday morning, the 9th, a cold winter's sky and frozen ground still dogged our footsteps. A field of fifteen hacked away from the Club House at 10:30 to the Jones' farm, where hounds were put in. Working from the Jones' across Ivy Creek through Watson's, hounds struck a line that led us straight to Farmington. Reynard, a gray, was soon moving and gave us a short burst as he circled the Farmington district, then went to earth.

A second gray fox was soon found, and the field enjoyed another short burst that carried us to "Farmoor". Scent failed at "Farmoor" and, as the wind was rising rapidly, we called it a day.

Twelve riders turned out Saturday afternoon, January 11, to follow the drag pack. Meeting at the Club House at 2:30, the field hacked to Mrs. Jane Garth's farm where hounds were cast. The first line led through Mrs. Garth's, across the Garth road to "Ingleside". Through the open fields of "Ingleside" hounds and riders went at a good clip, with horses fencing nicely despite the slippery going. On through the Thomas Renwick's "Oak Hill" the second line carried them and across the Barracks road. Swinging left, the third line carried on parallel to the Barracks road through the Galban farm to finish at the Garth road.

—Judy Molter.

MR. NEWBOLD

ELY'S HOUNDS

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The 11th was another day of high wind and the Welsh hounds again astounded most of us in the field. The meet was at Shimerville, and although foxes had been seen in Dr. Buller's home coverts right along during the week, none of them were home today. However, the Indian Creek Woods again produced a fox and hounds went away at a good pace to Furnace Hill and then southwest to the Berks County line where they checked for the first time. The going on this run was perfect, field after field of trappy stone walls and sod untouched by plow for ages. In Mr. Stein's Woods, hounds recovered the line and got away very fast, running clear to the Huff's Church Road without benefit of huntsman or two whippers-in, all of whom had been after two couples which had gotten away on a second fox. At this point the fox was viewed just ahead of hounds as they entered the thick briar patch in the big, grass fields. Hounds were cast across the Huff's Church Road in a big arc and then emulating an old precept it was "Try Back." Sure enough hounds found on the Black Angus farm and hunted slowly down the valley, crossing the road just in front of us and coming up the opposite hill where they checked. After awhile a young first season hound—Dracula—opened up and was honored by Molly, whereupon the whole pack flew to them and they hunted on up toward St. Peter's Church. Here they jumped their fox and went away with terrific cry, racing toward Sigmund. In a little evergreen cover they were driving so hard and beginning to circle, and as the huntsman viewed a tired fox just ahead which Mr. Ely did not want to kill, hounds were stopped and this game little fox was left to give us what we hope will be another equally as fine run. We then crossed over into the western country and hounds quickly found and crossed the Swabia Creek, went over Lock Ridge to beyond Albertus, where, on account of it being new country without the proper farmers' relations work, hounds were stopped. After a long hack through the beautiful countryside where the sunlight was coming through only in spots, lighting up the snow on the hills, we met at Holiday Hill Farm for breakfast, or rather supper.

J. H.



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Editorials

SPORT MUST GO ON

Adrian Van Sinderen, able President of the American Horse Shows Association, struck a note from which we are apt to hear much more in the days to come, a note of preparedness, a note that will mean a great deal to the spirit of America if carried out. With a background of the most successful year of sport ever recorded by the Shows Association behind them, Mr. Van Sinderen told the annual meeting that this year of 1941 is not one in which to foreclose activities. It must be one in which the success of the year just past must be continued and increased for the sport in this country as exemplified by the various horse shows all over the United States would mean everything to those on leave who had already joined the service and those many thousands more who would soon be called to the colors.

The question of how great a part sport should play in our national life as the country girds itself for the possibilities of a great struggle is one that we have not yet had to give too much thought but which will cause endless discussion should we become involved in war. The problem is one that is tied up so intimately with our national life that it is hard to dissemble. Should sport go on, should money be spent for enjoyment if the country is facing days of stress in which the economic belt is tightened to the utmost?

There should be no doubt as to this answer. Wartime is a period of terrific strain, of discipline, of strict restraint. It is a time when definite steps should be taken to maintain the spirit of the entire nation. The whole psychology of a country depends on its happiness, its ability to forget reverses by looking towards a brighter day. Sport such as the Horse Shows of the country represent is one phase of recreation that interests thousands. As the President of the Shows Association pointed out, it is going to be increasingly difficult to maintain the high level of sport which the country has been used to in the past year. So many trusted boys will be drafted that any number of stables will be crippled with loss of their personnel. This should not deter anyone from keeping up as high a standard as it is possible to do. Horses have a peculiar quality of taking one's mind from the pressing worries of the moment and providing a new outlook, a fresher perspective. They are unique in their capacity for relaxing the human mind. It is to them that many may have to turn in the days to come to forget all that is cause for anxiety.

A good suggestion was proposed that throws some light on the extent of the problem. Mr. Kirby suggested at the meeting of the Shows Association that all those in uniform be permitted to go to Horse Shows free of charge. Here is just one way in which the continuance of sport can aid America keep up her spirits, keep her in good trim to face her enemies. The more sport that can be provided, the more people will be able to relax, the firmer will be their minds, bodies and way of thinking when the time comes to do all that they are asked to maintain the traditions and way of life which we have come to know means so much to the happiness of the individual. Sport has a part to play in the days to come, a part that must not be forgotten or cast aside by those individuals who may preach that there is no place in a

war atmosphere for personal enjoyment of the things that make men happy. This is wrong, there is more of a part for this type of thing than at any other time. Sport has now become more than a pastime, it has become essential to our well being. It is important to help win through hard times that lay ahead.

Letters to the Editor

Vital To The Future

The Chronicle
Middleburg, Va.
Editor

Congratulations on "The First Order of the Day". How fitting that America's foremost sporting journal should start this critical year with editorial comment on the subject most vital to the lives of American Sportsmen, present and future.

But weapons will not do the trick alone. The cold determination that these United States shall always remain free must be behind them.

There is no time to indulge further in the satisfaction of complacency. That is the road to bondage. No added proof of the danger that confronts us is needed. We know this to be an attempt at world conquest—physical, social and economic.

During the past year free men have given way. The will to live and die for the right of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness is not as strong as it was.

The Sportsmen of America must lead the way. If Government "of the people, by the people, for the people" is not to perish, there must be an intelligent resolve to cast out selfish interest and replace it with a boundless enthusiasm for our way of life.

The price of our liberty was paid in blood. The lives of our descendants will be controlled by the price which we are willing to pay to hand down this heritage to them.

Cordially yours
Wm. W. Brainard, Jr.
1 Park Ave., New York

Thought It Unusual

January 14, 1941
The Chronicle
Middleburg, Va.
Gentlemen:

In your last week's issue, I noticed an item on the outside back page relative to fox hounds and the hunt running just in front of a picnic breakfast preparation of the Sedgefield Hunt at which Miss Grandin of Boston was present. This was most unusual and a still more unusual happening was that after the Hunt properly had holed in the fox which they were chasing and were attacking voraciously the bountiful food which was served through the courtesy of the hostesses, Mrs. Nathan Ayers and Mrs. Allen Watkins, the huntsman, Mark Lewis and his two whips, Jack Coble and Isaac Strickland, had struck another fox while bringing the hounds home, and the fox and the huntsman and his whips gave another grandstand show by having the fox, the hounds, and these three men again come right by the breakfast party. It is one of those things that probably would not happen again in a lifetime and, therefore, we thought it most unusual.

Your paper is always interesting, and I am sure that all fox hunters and those interested in hunting and jumping horses derive a great deal of information and pleasure from your publication.

Yours very sincerely,
T. V. Rochelle.

Roll Of Honor

The Chronicle,
Middleburg, Virginia
Dear Sir:

Your editorial of December 27, 1940 is the best I ever read. It so impressed me that I asked and obtained permission to read it before the Philadelphia Saddle Horse Association at their last monthly meeting. It was received with much favorable comment. It is written by a true lover of the horse and a true sportsman.

Following the reading a committee was appointed by the chair, the Hon. Harry McDevitt, of which committee I had the honor of being chairman. This committee is to meet and formulate plans to put your editorial suggestion of some great roll of honor upon which the names of the outstanding horses of the year will be inscribed. To this end my committee will appeal to all National Horse Organizations to form a "National Authority" to set up this honor roll and annually select the proper horses.

If the country has its All American Football Team, its Miss State this and that as well as its Miss America, then certainly, horse lovers will see that their friend the horse has equal opportunity to obtain national honor for results obtained. I write to ask you if implementing your editorial meets with your approval and if so will you give my committee the benefit of your advice and cooperation.

I write you this personal letter in the hope that I may have a reply to read before the committee at their first meeting.

Thanking you in advance I am
Very truly yours,
E. J. Laing, V. M. D.
Bristol, Pa.

"Auld Hunty" Bowman

January 9, 1941.
Bedminster Manor,
Far Hills, N. J.

"When the fire's on the hearth,
And good cheer abounds,
We'll drink to Joe Bowman,
And his Ullswater hounds,
For we'll never forget
How he woke us at dawn
With the crack of his whip
And the sound of his horn."

Gentlemen:
Mr. Anderson Fowler, Billy Cleland and I went to Wilmington, Del. on Sunday last to course some greyhounds. On our way we picked up Dick Atkinson of Media, Pa., who is a greyhound himself.

On our return to Dick Atkinson's, Joseph Casson of Radnor, Pa. came in. As Joe and I were born in the Northern part of England, he showed me the enclosed clippings. I was much interested, for I knew Joe Bowman over a period of years. He was what I call a real sport of the like of many in this country.

Yours truly,
WILLIAM WRIGHT.
The clippings:
"HE LIVES ON IN SONGS"
(Daily Express Staff Reporter)

"Auld Hunty" Bowman, who was huntsman to the Ullswater Foxhounds for 42 years, and who was

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"AULD HUNTY" BOWMAN

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recognized as the successor to John Peel, died yesterday, aged nearly 90.

"Auld Hunty" killed more than 2,000 foxes and had many songs written in his honour.

Huntsman in the border counties often sing "The Ullswater Pack" and "Joe Bowman," both written about him. Novelist W. C. Skelton wrote a book about him. Lord Lonsdale, ("Lordie" to border huntsmen) wrote the foreword.

"Auld Hunty" was tall and muscular. He would . . . attend to his hounds' needs before worrying about himself.

His favorite anecdote was of a day when, after a hard day's hunt, he decided to take the steamer from the foot of Ullswater to Glenridding. When he arrived at the pier an official demanded payment for carrying the hounds by steamer. Bowman left the hounds ashore went aboard himself.

As he sailed down the lake he got busy with his hunting horn. The hounds followed along the shore. When the boat touched Glenridding Pier, 6 miles away, the hounds were there waiting for him.

He was 88 when he attended his last meet—he began attending meets when he was 10, serving with his father. Seven generations of Bowmans had been huntsmen before him. All hunted on foot.

When the famous huntsman was buried at Patterdale there were mourners from villages in every part of Lakeland who had known "Auld Hunty". There were four lemon-and-white hounds at the graveside—from the Ullswater pack of which Joe Bowman was huntsman for 42 years. After the funeral the present huntsman, Joe Wear, sounded hunting calls on Bowman's own silver hunting horn over the grave.

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Likes Sire Compilations

January 11, 1941.
Richmond, Va.

Gentlemen:

Congratulations! Your compilation, sires of winners in 1940, is admirable, and valuable reference.

Of course you know that Playfellow was foaled in 1918 and that Ed Crump is dead.

With best wishes, your friend,
W. J. CARTER.

(Editor's Note: Ed Crump was given a merciful death last August, when the fine old 28-year-old son of Peep O'Day found his many years too great a burden. He was retired at the time where he stood for many years, at W. F. Hitt's Homeland Farm.)

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Permission Granted

January 10.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

One of the finest editorials on Horse Racing to ever appear in print was published December 20th in The Chronicle.

We feel this editorial is of such importance at this time in California that we ask your permission to run it in The Thoroughbred Breeding magazine in our February issue, giving due credit to The Chronicle.

Thank you,

Very truly yours,
ARTHUR DAHL,
Associate Editor,
Institute of "Thoroughbred Breeding".

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The Chronicle's Sporting Calendar**Racing Calendar****JANUARY**

1-Mar. 8. San Anita Park, Los Angeles Turf Club, Arcadia, Cal. (From Dec. 28, 1940.)

Santa Susana Stakes, 7 f., 3-yr. old fillies, Sat., Jan. 18 \$10,000 Added

California-Bred Weight for Age Champion, 1 1-16 mi., all ages, Sat., Jan. 25 \$15,000 Added

San Vicente Stakes, 1 mi., 3-yr. olds, Sat., Feb. 1 \$10,000 Added

Santa Margarita Stakes, 1 1-16 mi., 4 & up, fillies and mares, Sat., Feb. 8 \$10,000 Added

SANTA ANITA DERBY, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr. olds, Wed., Feb. 12 \$50,000 Added

San Carlos Handicap, 7 f., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 15 \$10,000 Added

San Antonio Handicap, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 22 \$10,000 Added

California-Bred Two-Year Old Stakes, 3 f., 2-yr. olds, Wed., Feb. 26 \$5,000 Added

SANTA ANITA HANDICAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Mar. 1 \$100,000 Added

Juvenile Champion Stakes, 3 f., 2-yr. olds, Wed., Mar. 5 \$5,000 Added

San Juan Capistrano Handicap, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Mar. 8 \$50,000 Added

8-Mar. 1. Hialeah Park, Miami Jockey Club, Miami, Fla

The Palm Beach, 7 f., 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 18 \$5,000 Added

The Miami Beach, 1 1-16 mi., turf, 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 25 \$5,000 Added

The Bahamas, 7 f., 3-yr. olds, Sat., Feb. 1 \$5,000 Added

The Black Helen, 7 f., 3 & up, fillies and mares, Sat., Feb. 8 \$5,000 Added

McLennan Memorial, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 15 \$10,000 Added

The Flamingo, 1 1/2 mi., 3-yr. olds, Sat., Feb. 22 \$20,000 Added

The Miami Jockey Club Dinner Stakes, 3 f., 2-yr. olds, Mon., Feb. 24 \$2,000 Added

The Evening, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, fillies and mares, Fri., Feb. 28 \$5,000 Added

The WIDENER, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Mar. 1 \$50,000 Added

Hialeah Juvenile Stakes, 3 f., 2-yr. olds, Sat., Mar. 1 \$5,000 Added

18-Mar. 20. Oriental Park, Havana Racing and Casino Ass'n., Havana, Cuba.

18-Feb. 22. Golden Gate Park, Golden Gate Turf Club, San Francisco, Cal.

Ed. Note: Due to postponement of Golden Gate Park's opening (scheduled for Dec. 28) the stake dates below are incorrect. No official changes have yet been received.

Albany Handicap, 7 f., 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 4 \$5,000 Added

Sutter Handicap, 1 mi., 3-yr. olds foaled in Cal., Sat., Jan. 11 \$5,000 Added

Oakland Handicap, 1 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 18 \$5,000 Added

Pioneer Handicap, 7 f., 3-yr. olds, Sat., Jan. 25 \$5,000 Added

Burns Handicap, 1 1/2 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 1 \$10,000 Added

Peninsula Handicap, 1 mi., 3-yr. old fillies and mares, Sat., Feb. 8 \$5,000 Added

San Francisco Bay Stakes, 3 f., 2-yr. olds foaled in Cal., Wed., Feb. 12 \$3,500 Added

GOLDEN GATE HANDICAP, 1 1/2 mi., 3 and up, Sat., Feb. 15 \$50,000 Added

Northern California Stakes, 3 f., 2-yr. olds, Wed., Feb. 19 \$3,500 Added

California Derby, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr. olds, Sat., Feb. 22 \$10,000 Added

FEBRUARY

24-Mar. 29-Oaklawn Park, Oaklawn Jockey Club, Hot Springs, Ark.

3-Apr. 10. Tropical Park, Gables Racing Ass'n., Coral Gables, Fla.

APRIL

1-12. Bowie, Southern Maryland Agricultural Ass'n., Bowie, Md.

10-24. Keeneland, Keeneland Association, Inc., Lexington, Ky.

14-26. Havre de Grace, Harford Agricultural & Breeders' Ass'n., Havre de Grace, Md.

14-May 10. Narragansett, Narragansett Racing Ass'n., Pawtucket, R. I.

28-17. Sportsman's Park, National Jockey Club, Cicero, Ill.

26-May 17-Churchill Downs, Churchill Downs-Latonia, Inc., Louisville, Ky.

28-May 10. Pimlico, Maryland Jockey Club, Baltimore, Md.

MAY

17-24. Woodbine Park, Ontario Jockey Club, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

19-June 21. Lincoln Fields, Lincoln Fields Jockey Club, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

19-July 26. Suffolk Downs, Eastern Racing Ass'n., Inc., Boston, Mass.

26-June 2. Thorncriffe Park, Thorncriffe Park Racing and Breeding Ass'n., Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

JUNE

4-11. Long Branch, Long Branch Jockey Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

14-21. Dufferin Park, Metropolitan Racing Ass'n., Canada, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

16-July 26. Elkwood Park, Monmouth Park Racing Ass'n., Oceanport, N. J.

23-July 31. Arlington Park, Arlington Park Jockey Club, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

24-July 1. Hamilton, Hamilton Jockey Club, Ltd., Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

JULY

4-19. Fort Erie, Niagara Racing Ass'n., Ltd., Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada.

15-19. Hagerstown, Hagerstown Fair, Hagers-town, Md.

23-Aug. 2. Bel Air, Harford County Fair Ass'n., Bel Air, Md.

AUGUST

1-Sept. 6. Washington Park, Washington Park Jockey Club, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

2-9. Hamilton, Hamilton Jockey Club, Ltd., Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

5-16. Cumberland, Cumberland Fair Ass'n., Cumberland, Md.

4-Sept. 20. Narragansett Park, Narragansett Racing Ass'n., Pawtucket, R. I.

16-Sept. 1. Stamford Park, Bellville Driving & Athletic Ass'n., Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada.

20-30. Marlboro, Southern Maryland Agricultural Fair Ass'n., Marlboro, Md.

SEPTEMBER

1-11. Timonium, Maryland State Fair and

Agricultural Society, Timonium, Md.

6-13. Thorncriffe Park, Thorncriffe Park Racing and Breeding Ass'n., Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

8-Oct. 18. Hawthorne, Chicago Business Men's Racing Ass'n., Chicago, Ill.

13-27. Havre de Grace, Harford Agricultural & Breeders' Ass'n., Havre de Grace, Md.

20-27. Woodbine Park, Ontario Jockey Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

OCTOBER

1-29. Laurel, Maryland State Fair, Inc., Laurel, Md.

4-11. Long Branch, Long Branch Jockey Club, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

13-20. Dufferin Park, Metropolitan Racing Ass'n., Canada, Ltd., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

20-Nov. 1. Sportsman's Park, National Jockey Club, Cicero, Ill.

30-Nov. 13. Pimlico, Maryland Jockey Club, Baltimore, Md.

NOVEMBER

14-29. Bowie, Southern Maryland Agricultural Ass'n., Bowie, Md.

DECEMBER

24-25. Romabout Hunt, Greenvale Farm, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

25-Rockwood Hall, Tarrytown, N. Y.

26-31. Devon, Pa.

30-June 1-Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

30-Wicomico Hunt Horse Show, Salisbury, Md.

30-31-Hampton, Va.

30-31-York Mills, Eglington Hunt, Toronto, Ont.

31-June 1-Secor Farms Riding Club, White Plains, N. Y.

JUNE

-Battle Creek Saddle and Hunt Club, River-side Drive, Battle Creek, Mich. (No date set).

4-5-West Point, N. Y.

5-7-Allegheny C. C., Sewickley, Pa.

6-7-Reading, Pa.

6-7-Tuxedo, N. Y.

7-8-Deep Run Hunt, Richmond, Va.

7-8-Tidewater, Norfolk, Va.

11-15-Detroit, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

12-14-Sedgefield, High Point, N. C.

13-14-West Cavalry, Harrisburg, Pa.

13-14-Westchester County, Port Chester, N. Y.

13-14-Upperville, Va.

14-24-Elizabeth, Mass.

15-16-Bronxville Riding Club, Bronxville, N. Y.

18-19-Church Town, W. Va.

19-21-Lake Forest, Ill.

19-21-Huntington, W. Va.

19-22-Troy, N. Y.

20-21-O Ridge Hunt Club, Darien, Conn.

20-21-Toledo, Ohio.

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A. H. S. A. MEETING

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"A year has gone by since the writing of these words; there is no reason to change them, but it is obvious as the conflict becomes more intense, that we must be prepared to adjust our procedure to the necessities of the situation. Many men will be called to the colors for training; some exhibitors will temporarily find themselves unable to carry on; we must all endeavor so to arrange our activities as to conform them to the nation's requirements.

"Now what is meant by conforming to requirements? And I speak of this matter earnestly because there is wisdom in looking squarely at the facts. Let us take an example: About a dozen horse shows, members of this Association, have been in the habit of holding their annual events in armories. The Government has requisitioned these buildings for wartime purposes and they are at the moment unavailable as horse show arenas. The loss of a dozen fixtures, even temporarily, is a hard blow to the Association and Exhibitors; we face the likelihood that other shows may also feel it necessary to cease operation during the emergency. There is a real danger in this situation, not only to this Association but to the sport as a whole, and yet our attitude must be one of cooperation.

"One obvious method of contradicting the danger at this time is through the enrollment of shows which are not now in membership. Every individual member of this Association can be of help in that direction. I would emphasize that there is definite justification for horse shows in these times.

"In the first place, horse shows, particularly those which operate at a profit, have it in their power to aid greatly the efforts of our American Red Cross by donating their proceeds to its treasury.

"Secondly, there is no reason for us suddenly to give up all normal procedure. England, bombed and battered as she is, has sent us many accounts of her resolution to keep going in the world of sport. Letters recently published in **HORSE SHOW**, from both hunting and harness men, have revealed their determination to carry on and to maintain, in all forms of sport, a nucleus wherewith to continue at the end of the present conflict. It is in every way fitting that we should follow the example of our British brothers.

"Thirdly, not only is there an investment of money in this sport, but also many lives are invested in it. Many of these men are not subject to the draft because of age; most of these men know nothing except horses. All over the United States, in our stables and show rings, these men earn a living for themselves and their families through horses and horse shows. The cessation of the sport will deprive them and many others including truck drivers, farmers, farriers, and owners of part or all of their livelihood; unnecessary disruption of horse shows is for this reason alone to be avoided.

"Fourthly, it is important that the breeding of the best types of horses shall continue; and breeding will stop when use stops. In carrying on our responsibilities as patriots let us not lose our sense of proportion, nor intensify the complexities of the present situation by discarding completely those many activities which serve to promote exercise and diversion, and which thereby aid in substituting clear thinking for panic. We appreciate values more intensely

as they are in jeopardy and we must agree with a recent statement by the President of one of our great universities that 'the present emergency will revive faith in our American way of life and enthusiasm for its preservation and development.'

"In accordance with these views we have to the best of our ability carried on the Association's work during the year 1940. If emphasis can be laid upon any one phase of our endeavor, that emphasis has been placed upon the broadening of the base of the Association, upon increasing representation in its management, upon emphasizing the word "AMERICAN" in our title. It would be easier for those charged with the responsibilities of administration to use autocratic methods, to assume their own infallibility, and to become in a sense totalitarian; such procedure eliminates the necessity of conferring with others and seems at first blush a more efficient method of operation.

"However, this Association remains AMERICAN. We shall not make the mistake of adopting the philosophy of Hitler nor of incorporating his methods in this organization. We shall, on the contrary, continue the principles of individual initiative and representation in our government, of justice based upon equitable trial. Only by such methods can the Association hope to be strong, only in the continuation of such practices can it justify its existence."

Review of '40—Preview of '41.

"II. With this foreword I invite you to review our progress during the year past and to preview our course for 1941.

"Interest in your sport and in your Association has continued on the increase. The considerable mail which reaches our headquarters reveals the growing desire for contact with the parent body on the part of Exhibitors, Judges and Horse Shows. During the year 1940 the Association had a total of 190 Recognized Shows compared with 187 in 1939. Twenty-two new shows have been enrolled; fourteen Member Shows have resigned; two Shows have been dropped from membership. The increase in our Individual Membership is a source of encouragement and pride. In 1940 we enrolled a total of 1,250 Members as compared with a total of 834 in 1939.

"On January 1, 1937 there were 3,900 horses recorded. In five years, or on January 1, 1940, this number had reached 6,762 and on January 1, 1941, the number is 7,206.

"We have distributed this year to Member Shows 61 Association Medals to be awarded in classes for Junior Members. This compares with 64 in 1939, 52 in 1938, 36 in 1937. The name of the winner of the greatest number of points for the current year is William Steinkraus of Connecticut.

"I am pleased to announce that the scale of dues inaugurated last year, plus a substantial cut in our expenses, has resulted in the Association's budget being almost in balance. While we shall all rejoice in knowing that our economic situation is thus improved, I must utter a warning that your Association exists by reason of membership support and we need more members fully to meet our obligations. There can exist no valid reason for any two day show or any Exhibitor to remain outside the ranks of those who are joined together in this nationwide effort to improve the sport.

Mr. Gibb, New Secretary and Treasurer

"III. As is natural in so large a group, certain changes have taken place on your Board of Directors. Through death we have lost Mr. Frank Adair of Atlanta, Georgia; Messrs. A. B. Dick, Jr., of Chicago, and W. T. Treadway of St. Louis have resigned. Mr. Charles F. Fleischmann, after long service with the Association as Secretary and Treasurer, has asked to be relieved of these duties which he has so generously volunteered. We shall miss his intimate knowledge of the Association's working and his long established contact with the officers of our Member Shows. I know that you will desire individually to express to him your appreciation of his faithful and loyal labors these many years in your behalf. It is a pleasure to state that Mr. Lewis M. Gibb of New York has volunteered to accept these responsibilities. In welcoming Mr. Gibb to our Board of Directors I have the pleasure of introducing to you not only a personal friend of many of us but an accomplished horseman and a Judge whose ability in the Harness Division is recognized. We are fortunate in securing a man of his caliber for the task in hand.

"New Directors have been elected today.

"May I also review your Regional Committees:

"In Zone No. 1 there is no change. Mr. Harvey D. Gibson will continue as Chairman and his Committee members will be Messrs. Amory L. Haskell, New Jersey; Charles A. Nash, Massachusetts; Lewis E. Waring, New York; William Almy, Jr., Massachusetts.

"In Zone No. 2. Mr. Morris Dixon, Pennsylvania, Chairman, with Messrs. William duPont, Jr., Delaware; W. M. M. Robinson, Pennsylvania; W. Plunkett Stewart, Pennsylvania; John S. Wise, Virginia.

"In Zone No. 3 Mr. Ike Lauier of Ohio will be Chairman with Messrs. C. J. Cronan, Jr., Kentucky; Alfred G. Wilson, Michigan; Brock Fuller, Wisconsin; J. M. Olin, Illinois.

"In Zone No. 4 Mr. Ralph W. Morrison, Texas, Chairman; Messrs. Robert B. Adams, Iowa; George A. Brandeis, Nebraska; W. H. Weeks, Missouri; one vacancy.

"In Zone No. 5 Mr. Raymund V. Morris, California, Chairman; Mrs. W. P. Roth, California; Messrs. Charles E. Perkins, C. B. Afflerbaugh, California; Theodore Wilcox, Oregon.

"In Zone No. 6 Mr. B. H. Hardaway, Jr., Georgia, Chairman; Messrs. Julian W. Cooper, Florida; Harold Council, Mississippi; F. L. Fuller, Jr., North Carolina; H. D. Oliver of Georgia.

Division Committees for 1941.

"IV. A year ago I reported to this meeting the formation of Division Committees established by the Directors in the belief that the Association would greatly benefit by having the assistance of experts in the respective divisions. I should like to take this opportunity to record the great amount of time and energy which not only the Directors but these Division Committee Members have given to the affairs of your Association during 1940. This Association possesses an intangible asset of rare value in its ability to enlist the services of eminent horsemen who so generously assist in solving our many problems.

"Division Committees appointed for the year 1941 are as follows:

"Heavy Harness Committee—Mrs. W. C. Cox, Massachusetts, Chairman; Mrs. Loula Long Combs, Missouri;

Mr. Thomas W. Clark, Pennsylvania, Light Harness Committee—Prof. E. A. Trowbridge, Missouri, Chairman; Mr. R. C. Flanery, Illinois; Mr. Robert McCray, Kentucky; Mr. Mark Peak, Illinois.

"Saddle Horse Committee—Mr. Charles W. Green, Missouri, Chairman; Mr. J. Wallace Bailey, Michigan; Mr. H. C. Barham, Tennessee; Mr. W. D. Lee, Missouri; Mr. W. W. Martin, New Jersey.

"Military Committee—Gen. Guy V. Henry, Maryland, Chairman; Major Marion Carson, New York; Col. Harry D. Chamberlin, Kansas; Capt. Royce A. Drake, Kansas, as Captain of U. S. Army Team; Col. Pierre Lorillard, New York; Col. James T. Duke, Washington, D. C., as Representative of Chief of Cavalry.

"Polo Committee—Mr. Robert E. Strawbridge, Jr., New York, Chairman; Mr. Carleton E. Burke, California; Mr. Gerard S. Smith, New York.

"Draft Horse Committee—Prof. E. A. Trowbridge, Missouri, Chairman; Prof. J. L. Edmonds, Illinois; Mr. Osborn White, California.

"Hunter Committee—Mr. Henry L. Bell, New York, Chairman; Mrs. James H. Van Allen, New York; Miss Deborah G. Rood, Delaware; Mr. F. Woodson Hancock, Jr., Pennsylvania; Mr. George Humphrey, Ohio; Mr. Manley Carter, Virginia; Mr. G. M. Carnochan, New York.

"Equitation Committee—Flat Saddles—Mr. Lewis E. Waring, New York, Chairman; Mrs. Chauncey For Howe, New York; Miss Louise Finch, New Jersey.

"Stock Saddles—Mrs. Ruth Halveston, California, Chairman; Dr. R. R. Root, California; Mr. Roland Hill, California; Mr. Kent Weaver, California.

"Stock Horse Committee—Judge Maxwell McNutt, California, Chairman; Mr. Henry Dunn, California; Mr. Roland Hill, California.

"Walking Horse Committee—Mr. W. H. Davis, Tennessee, Chairman; Dr. W. F. Fessey, Tennessee; Mr. B. Hunter, Tennessee.

"V. Now as to the 1941 Rule Book. No change of any consequence appears in our Constitution; we still exist to effect a better understanding among those holding competitions and exhibitions of horses, to make and enforce uniform rules, to adjust disputes which may arise between management and exhibitor and we still need to adopt and to amend rules as to the manner in which we shall attain these objectives.

"During the course of extensive travelling in the United States on the business of this Association during the year, it has been my privilege to meet a great many persons connected with the sport of showing horses. In addition, many horse show folk from all parts of the country drop in

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Mrs. Laurens M. Hamilton of The Plains, Va., is pictured on RANDORA, (half-sister of TRUBLE MAKER) who came to grief in a bad mistake over a trappy in-and-out on this mare 3 weeks ago, is on the rapid road to recovery. She returned to her home this week.

Mrs. Norman K. Toerge of Long Island was in Virginia when the leaves were falling, hunting with her Foxcroft daughter Miss Nancy Redmond. She recently came back for the runs in January and February with the visiting foxes.

IROQUOIS HUNT OFFICIALLY OPENS SEASON WITH BLESSING OF HOUNDS



Joint Masters Edward F. Spears and Fauntelroy Parsley, of Iroquois Hunt, (Ky.) had hounds blessed for the official opening of the season on Saturday, November 16. Bishop Amon Abbott, before many members of the field and spectators, presided at the colorful ceremony. Followers, who came from throughout the east and Cincinnati, were each presented with a St. Hubert's medallion, as they moved off with hounds.

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Notes From Great Britain

When Jockeys Lose Their Nerve They Must Stop Before Game Stops Them

BY J. FAIRFAX-BLAKEBOROUGH

The other day I had a chat with a steeplechase jockey, or as he termed it 'an ex-steeplechase jockey.' He rode well for some seasons but had some nasty falls riding bad horses, and I knew that he got into the habit of 'having one' before he went out to ride. He once remarked to me in his Irish brogue, "Sure, they won't let us dope the horses, so I'm taking to dope myself." This is usually the beginning of the end, though I knew an amateur rider who used 'the needle' on himself for some years just prior to riding in steeplechases. Well, the jump jockey to whom I have referred took me into his confidence and said:

"I haven't taken out a license this season. I found the fences began to look bigger every time I went round, and it dawned on me that as I was getting more and more dependent on 'jumping powder', my number was up. When a steeplechase jockey's nerve has gone, riding over the big fellows becomes Hell, and it's not fair to good horses or their owners to continue to ride in public. So I've chucked it forever. A nervous man on top makes a nervous horse, and a nervous horse is far more apt to 'come it' than a bold one. What's more a jockey who's lost his dash and courage may spoil a good horse and put the jockey who rides him

next either in the cart or on the ground. The last bad smash I had made me frightened. It's no use denying it. I thought I'd come all right but now know different, I should not do justice to myself if I got up and it would be obvious I was a back number. I should soon be hanging about weighing-rooms with no one engaging me and that would hurt, so I thought I'd stand down myself rather than be stood down."

There is much truth in all this. Some of us have known jockeys, under both rules, who have gone on riding after they were 'done', and who have given such pitiful exhibitions of vanished courage and lacking of ability to grasp opportunities that even those who have hated hurting their feelings have felt compelled to cease employing them. Few things in the world of sport are more sad than a once good jockey standing at weighing-room doors waiting for occasional 'chance' rides, which he knows are not fancied or he would not be engaged. These occasional mounts become fewer, eventually such 'have beens' find they are not making even travelling expenses. So at last they drop out of the game in which they were once stars.

In normal times there is a considerable number of racing men who seem to lose interest in the sport after the November Handicap has been run and take an early opportunity of going to Monte Carlo, the south of France, or elsewhere in search of the sun. They have no liking for the English winter, or for the winter Turf game. Under existing world conditions they cannot go on cruises or the Continental gaming tables, and so one finds them in the paddocks at the jumping meetings which some of them have hitherto rather despised. I have heard not a few of them admit in recent days that National Hunt sport is very much better fun than they expected, and already some of the sturdy patrons of flat racing, who have never before had jumpers in training, have bought one or two and have thus speedily become converts. It is certain that both now and in the future the winter sport will receive a much needed filling by these additions to the ranks of supporters. We Britishers are a strange race. It always has been that we must have something to wager over, no matter in what state of chaos our own little world or indeed, the universe may be. So is it that the money which would have been laid on the black and red at the gaming tables has been diverted to the racecourse and the S. P. offices in this country. Betting has become quite brisk despite money shortage, and although it has already been announced that the Birmingham meeting has been cancelled, and weather and Adolf may cause other abandonments, the 1941 National Hunt season promises to be

very much more successful and bright than was ever thought possible. There are possibly as many jumpers in training as there were flat racers, and more than usual of the latter have been switched over to hurdling. To many horses this comes as a pleasant change. They soon take to it and it keeps them in condition to reopen the flat race season.

Walter Easterby, who trains at Malton, came into the racing game via the hunting field. His first experience as a trainer was when he acted for Lady Lindsay. Then he started on his own account at Middleham and later moved to Malton. Like John Harper, Wight, and other successful trainers of jumpers, he did not serve his time in racing stables but applied the experience gained with hunters and point-to-pointers. The lessons they learned were that good feeding, good stable management, getting fat worked into muscle, and giving horses plenty of chance rather than sticking to a hard and fast schedule of training operations, (which often makes horses stale and jady) was the system which produced the best results. They have proved their methods are right if unconventional.

It seems that with rare exceptions neither ability to ride a horse nor yet experience of stable management

is necessary to make a successful trainer. Take as one of these outstanding exceptions the case of the veteran Tom Coulthwaite. He is still in the game although he was born at Pendleton, near Manchester, as far back as 1861. For years he was the most prominent trainer of jumpers, yet he has never ridden a horse in his life. He was a butcher and later coached athletes, then began to train one horse on the old Manchester racecourse. Despite this limited experience he trained the National winner of 1907 (Eremon), 1910 (Jenkinstown), and 1931 (Grake), as well as a host of other important National Hunt events.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Man o'War No Thoroughbred

January 9, 1941.
Editor, "The Chronicle",
Middleburg, Virginia.

Dear Sir:

Although not a subscriber, I am a second-hand reader of your paper who enjoys every issue. As a result of a friendly fireside Christmas conversation I found myself in the midst of a heated argument, and I am wondering, Mr. Editor, if you can help me "save face". Somebody said that **Man o'War** is not a thoroughbred according to English standards. Without going into a "long winded" explanation my records indicate that he is related directly through stud lines to **Darley Arabian** and **Godolphin Arabian**, two of the three founders of the thoroughbred line in England, his line coming on down through *Rock Sand and Fair Play.

If there is cold blood in **Man o'War's** line, will you please tell me when and through which dam it entered.

Several years ago I recall an article in "The Spur" which I believe was concerned with this question, although I do not remember the exact purport of its contents. Then about that same time, if I remember correctly, the New York Herald Tribune answered with a rebuttal type of editorial, the meat of which was "what difference does it make that 'Big Red' is not registered with the Jockey Club in England, a review of his stud fees in America will reveal our estimate of him."

Of course, I know that **Man o'War** is American bred, and owned by Mr. Samuel Riddle. I will appreciate it, Mr. Editor, if you will tell me—have I lost a necktie in a foolish bet or not?

Very truly yours,

RUSSELL A. STUART.

Editor's Note: In regard to your letter about **Man o'War**, he is not eligible for registration in the English Stud Book and is, therefore, technically not a thoroughbred according to the English registration of thoroughbreds.

In brief, the reasoning is as follows: In the 18th century a great many English thoroughbreds were imported into this country but there was no stud book to register them in America until 1869. About 1910 there was passed the Hughes Anti-Betting Legislation with the result that American breeders and owners commenced shipping their American

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thoroughbreds out of this country to race in England. In order to protect themselves the English passed the Jersey Act which stated that "No horse is eligible for registration in the English Stud Book unless it traces without a flaw in every remove to animals themselves eligible for registration." This act was thought necessary because so many of the horses going to England from America were not registered as in early days before our stud book, their predecessors had not been registered.

The result is that nearly all of the so-called American families, one of the fountain heads of which is **Lexington**, are not eligible, in the English Stud Book. **Man o'War** is eligible in his dam's side, but because of the cross of **Lexington**, is not eligible for the English book.

I hope this explanation does not make you lose your necktie, but I believe it is the correct one.

Sheriff Wade's Stud

Sweetwater, Tex.

Gentlemen:

In reply to yours of the 19, will say **The Southerner** is by *Ormond—Beryl.

I sold **Tetros** to Mr. Wm. Lawhon, of Mertzon, Tex.

Thanks for the good work you are doing among the thoroughbreds.

Respectfully yours,
TOM WADE, Sheriff.

FOXHOUNDS

Where ever you look they're coming through.

More Triggs, Julys and Walkers, too.

Nothing else for a Hunter will do, But here and there, a "Pot-licker", too.

Smart tap'rings ears, well set on the head.

Full of good blood as they are led. At open bench shows they're always feared.

Everyone knows they are well reared.

Straight legs, bold eyes, good feet underneath.

All in their prime, don't look at teeth.

Muscles bulging and coats a'gleaming.

Their voice a joy when they're driving.

Endurance and speed, it's part of all,

Always alert to Master's call.

Wet or dry, no need to "lift" or "steer".

Hark ye! Give cry! No loafers here.

You know they're more than Huntsman's friend.

For life to him their souls they lend.

And they ask for nothing in return.

'Cept a chase, a hot trail to burn.

H. P. ORCUTT.

HUNTING BOOK

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every Monday, Wednesday and Friday upon Hampstead Plains.

Such gentlemen who wish to partake of this amusement are desired to immediately pay the subscription of one guinea into the hands of Captain Maynard.

N. B. Half a guinea will be given for every bag fox delivered to Coronet Stapleton at Hampstead who will likewise give the highest price for dead horses."

These carefully authenticated facts now put forth for the first time by Mr. van Urk prove that foxhunting with packs of hounds was being regularly pursued in America almost as early, if not as early, as it was in England.

One of the most interesting parts

in the book is the map of the Island of Manhattan which Mr. van Urk sketched out so that the Meets of the St. George, Belvidere and other Hunts from Bowling Green to Kings Bridge can be located as of the present day.

In the legend we find that the Master of the Belvidere lived at No. 1 Broadway, that Kissing Bridge at 50th St. and Second Ave. was a favorite meet, that across the Harlem River not far from Bronx Park was Fox Hills, a famous cover.

Kissing Bridge was not only a favorite meet for the hounds, but from a copy of an old print shown, we find it was living up to its name properly as three couple are shown, one preparing for, a second partaking of, and a third still indulging in, the old time sport of kissing, while an astonished gentleman in shorts is spying on the group, one couple of which is followed by a colored servant carrying the fair lady's wrap.

In 1791 is found this advertisement:

"To the Sportsmen of New York—a person having arrived from Kentucky, has brought a large buffaloe to divert the gentleman with a general hunt on Saturday, the 29th to start at the hour of one o'clock from Mr. Lambert's tavern at Greenwich—the proprietor returns his grateful thanks to the gentleman who favored him at the hunt on Monday last and hopes for a continuance on the 29th."

The Racquet and Tennis Club of New York City supplied Mr. van Urk with a rare American hunting song the title page of which he has illustrated in its entirety.

It was written by F. P. Radcliffe, Esq. and entitled "Some Love to Ride." It was published by John Cole of Baltimore and in many other cities in 1837. A charming sporting scene adorned the title page showing a pack of hounds with huntsman and two whips mounted on well kept hunters and themselves perfectly attired in top boots, white breeches, hunting coats and the old fashioned, rim all around, velvet cap. Later we find another melody of the chase also by courtesy of the Racquet and Tennis Club entitled "The Hunters Horn" (Circa 1820-1830).

The publication of the first song

is given as "about 1837" and the second one as "1820-1830." I find in my Lordvale Library the following song accurately dated.

The Mellow Horn, as sung by Mr. Jones at the Park Theatre.

Published by Bourne, New York 1831, 4 pages embellished by a lithograph on the title page of a Hunt Scene framed with a Horn.

This is one of the very early American Lithographs depicting a sporting scene. It was lithographed by Pendleton, our first commercial lithographer.

The above gives the reader of this Review a glimpse of the first volume in which one finds the True Story of the Gloucester Foxhunting Club, the earliest in America founded in Philadelphia in 1766. Of the Montreal the oldest in Canada founded in 1826 and of the Rose Tree Foxhunting Club, the oldest Foxhunting Club in the United States chasing the red fox actively in the present as it has without interruption since its inception in 1859.

Mr. van Urk has also uncovered authentic data as to a kennel of foxhounds kept by a Mr. Bigelow five miles outside of Boston about 1812 and exact data as to the Charlestown hunt which "Functioned" with regularity and precision from 1814 on. "Its prime mover was a sporting colonel, Samuel Jaques. The Colonel loved animals with a passion, owned the famous stallion, Bell-founded and bred many a fine hunting, running and trotting horse. He also maintained a full kennel of foxhounds—kept "not for ornament but for use."

The volume is 10" by 12" bound in hard wearing red burlap, leather labels with gold imprint, paper of the highest quality and I should believe new type was selected for the volume, the pages of wide margin, therefore the binding is one which even the late F. G. R. Schwart would admire. There are seventy illustrations printed in sepia. Some of the London Times Literary Supplement Reviews end with the word "no index". This cannot be said of this volume as the index has been most carefully prepared even down to the names of the foxhounds mentioned together with those of the horses noted.

Sun Meadow

SUN MEADOW -----	*Sun Briar -----	Sundridge -----
B., 1928		*Sweet Briar II
	Red Clover -----	Disguise
		Blue Grass

25 FOALS—20 WINNERS

SUN MEADOW has six 2-year-old winners this year out of nine foals. They are Misty Meadow (2), Meadow Dew (3), Sun Triad (2), Sun Scene, Sparrow Chirp and Sun Thrush. His previous winners include Balloter, Culdee, Emma Bly, Irish Mirth, Meadow Morn, Rocky Meadow, Royal Business, Schley Nurse, Spring Meadow, Suneen, Sun Girl, Suntime and Uncle Walter.

SUN MEADOW himself won 10 races and \$37,551 including the Sanford Stakes, Grab Bag, Campfire, Ballot, Mt. Washington, Pimlico Spring and Jennings Handicap. He was also second to Twenty Grand in the Lawrence Realization and Belmont (beating Jamestown); second to Equipoise in the Dixie Handicap and second to Gallant Knight in the Metropolitan Handicap.

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Novel Features Mark Show Held In Cohasset

(Editor's Note: Despite the fact that the following report on the Cohasset Horse Show, held in August, 1940, has just reached our desk, we take pleasure in recording same. It is the policy of The Chronicle to record all horse shows held in the United States and we again urge the cooperation of all show secretaries in this regard).

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Kennedy's Audwill Stables of Dedham, Mass., scored a double tricolor triumph in the Cohasset Horse Show, held on August 23-25, on the estate of Mrs. Hugh Bancroft, Cohasset, Mass., when **Hallow Gold** was accorded the hunter championship and **Erin's Son** the jumper championship. Arthur McCashin of Green Farms, Conn., did the judging and looked upon **Hallow Gold**, what with the forceful and decisive performances of this splendid middleweight's efforts in the show, as the choice of the hunter division.

Hallow Gold accounted for five blues, in the middle and heavyweight, the corinthian, the model, the working and the hunter championship sweepstakes, in arriving as champion. William F. Callahan, Jr.'s **Bantry Bay** of Scituate, Mass., took reserve. **Erin's Son** won five jumper events and took a 2nd in another, to best Joseph L. Jannell's **Terry Lad** of Weymouth, Mass., the reserve.

The show was a pronounced success, according to William C. Cox, Chairman and Secretary of the fixture, and included many features not found carded in regular circuit shows, which brought out many amateurs riding and many owners-up. Such events included the Cohasset Hunters, won by Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bancroft's **Stony Brook**, who took the winning prize, a very fine trophy presented in the name of **Erin's Son** by Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy.

Variety was given to the orthodox classes with the inclusion of lunge line competition. **Erin's Son** won the open jumping lunge line event and **Bantry Bay** took the hunter lunge line jumping. Another novel class was the Mental Hazard Course in which William J. O'Sullivan's **Dough Boy** of Lincoln, Mass., returned the winner.

Miss Jane Bancroft of Cohasset, had a good sort of novice hunter in Devon, winning ribbons in this division and then going on to win in the maiden hunters and place 2nd to **Hallow Gold** in the working. In the hunt teams, the Cohasset Hunt entry, won with **Devon** leading the way, followed by **Homeland** and **Our William**. **Millwood** Hunt's **Woodwind**, **Pete** and **Baiting Brook**, took 2nd and **Jacobs Hill** Hunt's **His Majesty**, **Lady's Maid** and **Desert Girl** were 3rd. **Millwood** Hunt's same team won the performance only hunt team.

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wherein riders met the usual appointment conditions with Jacobs Hill Hunt's **Border Stripe** taking the place of **Lady's Maid**, to get 2nd.

SUMMARIES

Novice Hunter.—1. Devon, Jane Bancroft; 2. Our William, Norman Hall; 3. Mike Fallon, Mrs. Gardner Fiske; 4. Tis So, Power's Stable. 13 entries.

Handy Horse Lunge Line.—1. Bantry Bay, William F. Callahan, Jr.; 2. Terry Lad, Joseph L. Jannell; 3. Sargent, The Wright Stables; 4. Erin's Son, Audwill Stable. 6 entries.

Middle and Heavyweight.—1. Hallow Gold, Audwill Stable; 2. Pete, Richard C. Sawyer; 3. Mike Fallon, Mrs. Gardner Fiske; 4. Dough Boy, W. J. O'Sullivan. 10 entries.

Mental Hazard Class.—1. Dough Boy, William F. Callahan, Jr.; 2. Terry Lad, Joseph L. Jannell; 3. Desert Girl, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Schlusmeyer; 4. Air Flight, Eddie Hogan. 15 entries.

Cohasset Hunter, Amateurs up—1. Stony Brook, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bancroft, Jr.; 2. Homeland, Jane Bancroft; 3. Mallowtown, Frances McElwain; 4. Greyhound, Herbert J. Langlois. 13 entries.

Hunter Under Saddle.—1. Our William, Norman W. Hall; 2. Mike Fallon, Mrs. Gardner Fiske; 3. All Quiet, Mrs. Gardner Fiske; 4. Minute Man, Rose Grinnell. 7 entries.

Corinthian.—1. Hallow Gold, Audwill Stable; 2. Loose Manners, Frank C. Dunlap; 3. Baiting Brook, Richard C. Sawyer; 4. His Majesty, Eddie Hogan. 13 entries.

Hunters, Suitable Model.—1. Hallow Gold, Audwill Stable; 2. Vigir, David Feinstein; 3. Minute Man, Ross Grinnell; 4. Border Stripe, Eddie Hogan. 6 entries.

Open Jumping Championship Sweepstakes.—1. Dough Boy, William J. O'Sullivan; 2. Erin's Son, Audwill Stable; 3. Hi-Rock Pompo, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Schlusmeyer; 4. Terry Lad, Joseph L. Jannell. 16 entries.

Lightweight Hunters.—1. Baiting Brook, Richard C. Sawyer; 2. Bantry Bay, William F. Callahan, Jr.; 3. Hakodate, Powers' Riding School; 4. Our William, Norman W. Hall. 12 entries.

Cohasset Special, Hunters and Jumpers.—1. Erin's Son, Audwill Stable; 2. Sargent, The Wright Stable; 3. Baiting Brook, Richard C. Sawyer; 4. Hakodate, Powers Stable, Grace Dunn. 9 entries.

Hunters, Amateur owners, or member of immediate family up.—1. Bantry Bay, William F. Callahan, Jr.; 2. His Majesty, Eddie Hogan; 3. Pete, Richard C. Sawyer; 4. Lady Lindsey, Stafford Johnson. 17 entries.

Pairs of Hunters or Jumpers. Abreast.—1. Hi-Rock Pompo and Foggy Morn, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Schlusmeyer; 2. Pete and Baiting Brook, Richard Sawyer; 3. Dough Boy and Good News, William J. O'Sullivan; 4. Air Flight and His Majesty, Eddie Hogan. 4 entries.

High Jump, Lunge Line.—1. Erin's Son, Audwill Stable; 2. Round Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Schlusmeyer; 3. Terry Lad, Joseph L. Jannell; 4. Bantry Bay, William F. Callahan, Jr. 5 entries.

Ladies' Hunters.—1. Buckby Folly, Powers' Stable; 2. His Majesty, Eddie Hogan; 3. Desert Girl, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Schlusmeyer; 4. Devon, Jane Bancroft. 11 entries.

Maiden Hunters.—1. Devon, Jane Bancroft;

2. Our William, Norman W. Hall; 3. Mike Fallon, Mrs. Gardner Fiske; 4. Ann's Bo, Powers' Stable. 13 entries.

Handy Hunters.—1. Terry Lad, Joseph L. Jannell; 2. San Vada, Dr. Charles I. Johnson; 3. Woodwind, John C. Hopewell; 4. Erin's Son, Audwill Stable. 12 entries.

Five-Foot Jumpers.—1. Erin's Son, Audwill Stable; 2. Dough Boy, William J. O'Sullivan; 3. Good News, William J. O'Sullivan; 4. Foggy Morn, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Schlusmeyer. 7 entries.

Working Hunters.—1. Hallow Gold, Audwill

SOMERS CHOICE

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Mexican racing provides no new field for **Somers Choice**, for the early winter and spring activities of this same border track a year ago saw the Canadian-bred 'chaser going to the post some dozen times altogether under the silks of his present owner, who incidentally saddles him as well. In his many outings at Caliente last season, ere the brush course was refurbished and so vastly improved by the Baja California Jockey Club's recent efforts, **Somers Choice** was seldom out of the money and included in his triumphs the Chajau Steeplechase Handicap, when he defeated **Sky Folly**, **Bummer Bill**, **Napoleon** and others last April.

Back in Canada last summer, the **Will Somers** gelding had considerable success over hurdles, winning at Brighouse Park, Hastings Park and Willows Park and numbering among his triumphs the Chelsea Handicap at Hastings.

SUMMARIES

4 & up steeplechase, about 194 ml., cl., purse \$300; winner: Mrs. J. M. Hartley's b. g. (4) by **Will Somers**—Endurance II, by Long Set; trained by owner.

1. Somers Choice, 143, W. King
2. Devolta, 139, C. Pierce
3. Glazewood, 130, A. Dorey

Nine started; also ran: Perfect Liar, 139. H. Clements; Paul B., 139, G. Smith; Sunny Monday, 138, J. Novak; Fencing Song, 139, F. Coleman; Shawigan, 139, W. Fillingame; Phantom Lee, 130, F. Cumens.

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LEWIS WARING

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Racing successes for the last decade, working strenuously for the strong financial position that this Association enjoys today. He has handled the exchequer in a diligent manner, cooperated with the other officials

and directors, so that United Hunts one of the country's outstanding hunt meetings, can award rich purses, despite the anticipated hard times to come. The United Hunts, with a motto of "For Sport's Sake and Better Sport," will be able to carry its racing on in the grand manner that it has in previous years with the "velvet" of the last several splendid meetings.

Henry L. Bell was elected to the office of vice-president, succeeding John Hay Whitney, who retired because of the demands of his many other interests. Earl E. Potter was elected to the office of the secretary treasurer.

Two new directors were elected to the board for a period of three years in George H. Bostwick and Louis E. Stoddard, Jr., both outstanding owner-trainers in the steeplechase game.

The executive committee for 1941 will be composed of Mr. Waring, chairman, Mr. Bell, Mr. Potter, James C. Brady, Harold E. Talbott, H. W. Talmadge and Robert C. Winmill. The race committee will be headed by Mr. Potter, and will include Mr. Bell, Richard V. N. Gambrell, Mr. Bostwick, Townsend B. Martin, Mr. Stoddard, Jr. The membership committee has Byron C. Foy as chairman, with James C. Brady, Mr. Potter and Thomas M. Bancroft as members.

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A. H. S. A. MEETING

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at the office. It may be said without fear of contradiction that the 1940 Rule Book met with universal approval. About 1,800 copies of this book were distributed to Shows and Individual Members throughout the United States. It is expected that an equal number will desire the 1941 Rule Book which will shortly go to press.

Rule Changes.

"The Directors do not change the rules for the fun of it; their aim is to obtain a perfect set of regulations and I trust that we approach more and more nearly to that goal. Changes and amendments which are made annually in the rules are due to faults or omissions which come to light and which need correction. There will be a number of such changes in the 1941 Rule Book and in addition this volume will contain rules which did not appear in the 1940 edition covering the Heavy Harness Division, Walking Horse Division, Military Division, Draft Horse Division, and Equitation in stock saddles.

"All rules regarding the conduct of shows, prize list, prize ribbons, entries, recording of horses, definition of classes, protests and penalties, etc., are prepared by your Executive Committee and adopted by your Board of Directors. The rules covering the twelve Divisions of horses into which we divide our sport are prepared by the respective Division Committees, and adopted by the Directors.

"The changes in, and additions to, the rules adopted for 1941, were submitted in writing to each member of your Board of Directors more than a month before this meeting.

"Time prevents a discussion here of these changes; will you, however, permit a moment on the subject of Registered Judges.

Judges and Faultfinding Exhibitors.

"VI. The matter of Judges has always been, and always will be, a bone of contention. In previous years I have ventured to utter a warning that no system can be devised which will remove that faultfinding on the part of Exhibitors which springs, not from the incorrectness of the Judge's decision, but from the bias, or ignorance, or poor sportsmanship, of the Exhibitor himself. We must keep in mind that the Exhibitor selects his own horses for competition and he engages his own manager. Some managers are more able than others; some horses are better than others. The show horse is an athlete, conditioned and trained for competition. To ride him on the level or over jumps, or to drive him singly or in tandems is to compete with this athlete against other athletes. Some Exhibitors excel others in this effort. Judges are not responsible for this. Nevertheless we do suffer sometimes from poor judging.

"Now let us understand this matter. There are two main phases of judging: the first is the matter of evaluating each individual horse; the second is the manner in which the class is handled in arriving at final decision. I should like to discuss these phases separately.

"The many arguments to which I have listened, and the mail and the protests received by the Association, and my own observation and experience, all tend to confirm that fact that for the most part Exhibitors do not impugn the integrity of a Judge nor question his knowledge of horse flesh. Most of our officials are pretty good judges of quality and soundness in an animal.

Manner in Which Class is Handled.

"But concerning the second phase of judging, that is concerning the manner in which a class is handled, Exhibitors do often observe that Judges fail to follow the rules of this Association. Failure on the part of a Judge in this regard tends to arouse the resentment of Exhibitors more than does ordinary disagreement with his appraisement of a given animal when lined up. The duty of a Judge is so to handle a class as to create, in the minds of the Exhibitors and the public, the thought that the best horse in the ring came out on top, and the second best next.

"This matter of the handling of a class is of more importance in what I shall call an "assembly" class than is the case in what might be termed an "individual" class. That is, a Judge's handling of a group of horses involves difficulties which are not met by the Judge who sees one horse at a time, as in jumping. The Association, through its Committees, has gone to a great effort to set forth standards which provide the best manner of handling classes. For instance, let us take an example: the harness rules for 1941 state that in a lady's class the horse must be asked to back; that in a collection of three horses each individual entry shall be given an individual work-out; that in the Light Harness Division horses shall take the turns without breaking their gait. Now, the object of these rules is to insure that in a lady's class the horse shall have manners; that in a collection class each individual entry of three horses shall at some time have the ring for a solo performance; and that in a Light Harness class a horse shall be put down for consistent breaking at the turns.

"In other words, our Judges must learn to handle classes according to standards, standards which it is the function of your Association to provide; it is the duty of each show to see to it that these standards or rules are adhered to in its arena.

Outcome of Class, Someone's Opinion

"Exhibitors can be expected to spend large sums of money in support of competition in your show rings if they have reason to believe that these competitions are handled and adjudicated according to specifications; reasonable specifications which can be made known to the public, which Exhibitors may learn and follow, and which Judges will enforce. It is not only the duty but it will prove to be the very life of management to see to it that these rules are adhered to by Judges and Exhibitors to the end that fair competition may prevail. We have passed the point where Exhibitors can be kept satisfied with the statement that the outcome of a given class represents, after all, only somebody's opinion. Football, polo and tennis are all sports in which definite rules force the players to certain procedures and penalize them for infractions thereof. The outcome does not reflect somebody's opinion. In the same way each class at a horse show should have certain requirements and the horses in it must be asked to fulfill these requirements, and not others. In order for a Judge properly to officiate he must know the standards. The greatest service which this Association can perform is to provide a set of standards for the handling of each type of class and to indicate persons who may be expected to enforce them.

The Registered Judge.

"And so we have established the status of Registered Judge. From time to time the Association will announce the names of those individuals

who are able to comply with the regulations of this status. One of its requirements is that each applicant sign a statement that he knows and, to the best of his ability, will carry out these rules in the rings of Member Shows. We shall have full confidence in each Registered Judge and we hope he and she will justify that confidence. We shall drop a Judge forthwith from this status if he proves himself unable to fulfill its requirements.

"In announcing the name of a Registered Judge, the Association indicates the present activity and willingness of that Judge to serve, and also the demand for his services by show management. The status is not intended as a decoration for previous service. Emphasis must be placed upon today's capability and readiness, rather than upon past records—no matter how brilliant. Therefore, the status does not give credit to a Judge for having officiated at a large number of shows in the past. The list of Registered Judges will consist of the names of officials who are currently active at member shows and whose work meets with the approval of management and Exhibitor, as evidenced by the demand for their services.

Qualifications of Registered Judges.

"The qualifications for this status have been made severe. The provisions are so rigid that out of 570 Recognized Judges enrolled today, all of whom received an invitation to enroll as a Registered Judge if eligible, only some twenty have applied for this status and some of those who thus applied have been unable to qualify. Details of the rule covering Registered Judges will be incorporated in the 1941 Rule Book and will be available to all to read. All Recognized Judges not eligible for the status of Registered Judge will retain their present status and will be available as before to adjudicate at Member Shows.

"It has been the practice of this Association in the past to enroll all who officiate in our show rings and to provide strict regulations governing their conduct as Recognized Judges. There is no question but that some of those technically unable to become Registered Judges at this moment are the equal in ability of those who are fortunately able to fulfill the conditions imposed. A formula, however, is of value only as it excludes exceptions.

"VII. This Association needs to have vision as to the future. Especially we must plan to help our Individual Members—we must find ways of better serving our Show Members, and particularly that increasing number of smaller shows which are annually joining our ranks.

Special Rules for Big Show.

"Very possibly we face in the future a classification of shows whereby the larger fixtures will be segregated into a group whose members will be governed by special rules. At these shows the administration and judging would be more carefully supervised and the awards granted would by the same token carry greater honor to the winners than would be the case in the smaller shows which would operate in another group, governed by more lenient regulations and requirements. Should a nationwide demand for such subdivision arise we shall endeavor to devise a plan of operation; obviously the thought and concentrated work of a competent committee will be required to bring it into being. Such a program, if adopted, would be effectual, in my opinion, only in the event that many more shows than are now enrolled join this Associa-

tion. Perhaps on some future occasion the opportunity may present itself to accord this subject a broader and more analytical treatment.

"We have taken many successful steps forward in recent years; we shall be wise in the future to undertake only those further advances of which the meaning is clear and of which the advantages are clearly understood. There is no gain in occupying a position which proves in the long run untenable.

"VIII. The year 1941 will prove a difficult one. We shall succeed only as we strive together to advance the best interests of Horse Shows, of Exhibitors, and of Judges. Never before has it been so necessary for us to work together in upholding this fine sport. Toward that unity your officers and committees will direct their best efforts in 1941 and toward this end they ask your wholehearted support."

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Fiske Waring's 18

Ralph B. Strassberger, who for many years raced one of the biggest strings in France, shipped his horses one by one over the Atlantic out of France, commencing way last December a year ago. As a result he has a number of his best horses in America and Fiske Waring, son of the recently elected president of the United Hunts, Lew Waring, has 18 of these horses in training in Aiken, S. C.

Carter Hounds Run

Manley Carter, master of his Carter Hounds near Orange, Va., completed a three hour run on Thursday, January 9, and then he stepped into a night sleeper and awoke the following morning at the American Horse Shows Assn. meeting at the Waldorf Astoria. Mr. Carter, a Member of the Board of Directors of the Horse Shows Assn., a recognized and registered judge, was a delegate from the Orange (Va.) Show.

Delegates at Waldorf

There were 144 members and directors and officials of the American Horse Show Assn., attending the annual meeting last Friday, January 10. Among the many delegates were Mrs. Schuyler Orvis and Graham Reid of the Fairfield Show; T. Arthur Johnson of Mount Pocono; Mrs. E. A. Schwartz and Richmond F. Meyer down from the Poughkeepsie Vassar Show, and Lucy Drummond and Mrs. C. G. Southwick of the Lakeville Horse Show.

Miss Kirby's Diary

Wilhelmine S. Kirby, well known of the show game with her hunters: Easter Morning, Grand Dan, and others, also charter subscriber of The Chronicle, had a close one up at the American Horse Shows Assn. when she lost her diary. Adrian Van Sinderen, President and presiding officer announced that it was found and there was a sigh of relief. Miss Kirby is wintering in Camden.

Mr. Kirby's Splendid Thought
Gustavus Kirby, of Bedford, N. Y., and Camden, S. C., an internationally known sportsman, formerly one with official connections with the American Olympic body, moved at the American Horse Shows Assn., meeting last Friday, January 10, that: "At long last" this country of ours is getting mentally alert and physically fit at work in defense. There are to be thousands and tens of thousands of men in training. These men will need the recreation that those who have horses can give them. Give these men the opportunity to see horse shows and race meets free of charge. They need it, it's their chance to relax and they will be fitter and happier and more eager to carry on."

Mr. Clothier Speaks

"There will always be a Devon" commenced Isaac Clothier, when called upon at the American Horse Shows Assn., meeting on Friday, January 10. He then congratulated Mr. Van Sinderen for what "he's done for the past four years with the Association, for the great influence he's had on the citizenship of America" and then suggested that the retiring Mr. Van Sinderen, who had just been re-elected for 1941, should accept a 2nd term of 5 years.

Dublin Venture—Snow White
He's not one of the 7 dwarfs, but he is "snow white with his long winter coat" said Deborah G. Rood, when talking of her great, heavyweight hunter, Dublin Venture. Miss Rood, who has sold 11 horses in the past 6 weeks from her establishment down in Wilmington, Del., said: "But none of them are the regulars,

people won't know any horses have moved."

*Demas Reserve at Piping

That flashy conformation hunter, *Demas, owned by Martin Vogel, Jr., winner of many tric平ors and reserves as published in The Chronicle last week, won one more than was recorded. *Demas was reserve in the middleweight division at Piping Rock to Chatter Chat.

Excerpts From Camden

Mrs. Elizabeth Grinnell, The Chronicle's much missed associate editor in New York of 1939 writes from Asheville, N. C., that the following excerpt from a letter from Camden might be of interest: "So far the season at Camden is quiet but a busy future is promised with more horses than have ever before been taxing stabling facilities. Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott has added to her plant and all of her 102 boxes are taken for the remainder of the season. Harry Kirkover's stables of 52 and 27 stalls are occupied, as are North Fletcher's boxes. Horses are now being put away in private stables. The schooling show will start things in mid-February. The Hunter Trials are February 22, the Virginian's Show on March 1, the Camden Horse Show on March 26-27 and the Carolina Cup on the 29."

Rodrock Galloping

Tom Rodrock, good trainer of William Hitt's string and others, has been keeping busy these days, taking advantage of the mild winter in Virginia to gallop three 2-year-old Sun Meadows, owned and bred by Hon. Westmoreland Davis. Mr. Rodrock has 4 juveniles in work for Mr. Hitt, 2 fillies by Sun Meadow, a Chance Shot colt and a Stimulus colt, also a 2-year-old Milkman—Question, by Stimulus of Mary Ramsey's General Elect, a 2-year-old son of Our General, owned by Mr. Rodrock himself, completes the string in daily gallops over the Hitt Homeland Farm oval.

The Gimbels are Coming

Mrs. Bernard Gimbel has made arrangements to stable 6 hunters with Jack Skinner, of Middleburg for a fortnight hunting in Virginia countryside. With Mrs. Gimbel is expected Mrs. Edward Lasker, her daughter, well known in the show ring. The rumor that has been running round about her Court Ways being sold is like the first death of Mark Twain,—greatly exaggerated.

Hunnemans Have Top Prospect

Bill Hunneman was at the American Horse Show Luncheon the other Friday. In great spirits, he is very keen on the possibilities of an English import, now 4-years-old, whom Mrs. Hunneman has in training with Morris Dixon for steeplechasing.

7 Hunts in 8 Days.

John C. Hopewell, M. F. H., of the Millwood Hunt in Mass., and Mrs. Henry S. Hall and Mrs. Cary Wilson, regulars of this pack, have been in Virginia hunting for the past ten days. Staying with the Crompton Smiths at their "Featherbed Farm" near Middleburg, the New Englanders have had 7 hunts in 8 days with Middleburg, Piedmont, Old Dominion and Rock Hill Hounds.

The Jack Reubens at "21"

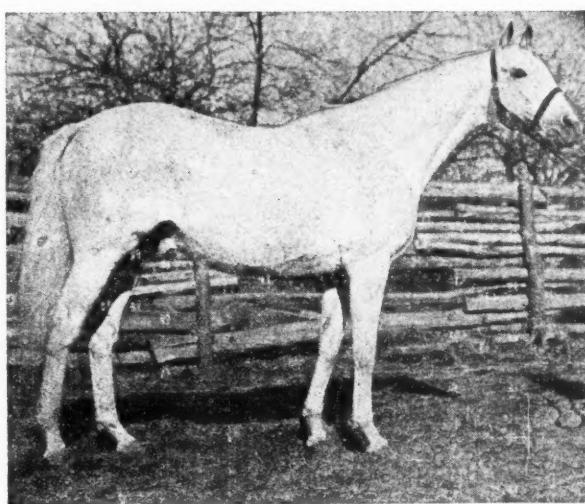
In that melting pot of all dinner spots in New York, Jack and Charley's 21 Club, where east meets west and the north and south mingle, The Chronicle found the Jack Reubens (Virginia Bruce) the other night. Not in Virginia, he not hunting either, since their honeymoon at Llangollen, they were intensely interested in hearing of the Harry Frost family, the Jack Skinners, the Stacy Lloyds, the Arthur Whites, Mrs. Whitney and others.

Fort Meyer Show

On the 23rd and 24th of January the usual President's Ball Horse Show will be held at Fort Meyer, Va. Lt. Fred Hughes is in charge. Hunter and jumper classes will be on the prize list with competition going on every evening.

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Wild tongues that have not Thee in awe—
Such boasting as the Gentiles use,
Or lesser breeds without the Law—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget.

For heathen heart that puts her trust
In reeking tube and iron shard—
All valiant dust that builds on dust,
And guarding, calls not Thee to guard,
For frantic boast and foolish word,
Thy mercy on Thy people, Lord. Amen" —Kipling.

The "Arsenal for Democracy" idea is all right as far as it goes, but let us not forget that there is a greater law than force, a law superseding all laws and outlasting arms and ammunition, battleships and bombs, the universal law of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. The Man of Nazareth perfectly exemplified this law in His life and today stands in power, while kings and empires as well as pagans who put their trust "in reeking tube and iron shard," have perished with the years. Today in this country, while demagogues and dictators abroad loose wild tongues that pretend to hold nothing under Heaven in awe, there is a peacetime army that recognizes ties of brotherhood with the suffering war victims and has set about to relieve their need. Right here in our town, this peace army has established a British Aid Station that fast is becoming a focal point of community effort and activity. Here warm clothing is being made and collected and shipped to England to clothe the countless refugees who have been cast up on Britain's shores, forgetting her own needy ones,—here knitters continue to raise an offensive against bitter cold by fashioning sweaters, helmets and mittens for the heroic R. A. F. In short, Middleburg has declared an all-out program of help for war victims that will bring aid and comfort to war sufferers on the "tight little Isle," be they grandfathers, soldiers or pitiable little babies-to-be.

The fire eaters had two recent work-outs and each time the wind was blowing a keen clip. The one

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Steinkraus Accepts Cup

William Steinkraus, who assembled 118 winning points in the American Horse Shows Association competition to win the Van Sinderen cup, was presented the trophy by Adrian Van Sinderen, President of the Association at the annual meeting last Friday, January 10. Young Mr. Steinkraus proved he could stand on his feet and speak in acceptance in just as good form as he rode to win the top junior horsemanship and equitation honors in America this past season. We quote his poetic effort, written in his Brunswick Preparatory School study hall hours, where he is also the editor of the school paper.

The A. H. S. A.

Ever since that recent day
The postman brought your news
my way,
All my friends began to preach
On how to make this thank-you
speech.

At first it all seemed very nice,
Till I assembled their advice.
"Don't talk too fast,—don't talk too
slow;"
"Don't speak too loud,—don't
speak too low."

Remember at this Waldorf date
Dan Webster you must emulate."
That fairly made my senses spin,—
I did not know where to begin.

Till finally, sunk in deepest gloom,
I sought advice in our tack room.
And all the grooms said, "Boy, sho'
nough,
They've got you in a spot that's
tough!
It ain't so bad to make a bow,
But shucks, don't make a speech
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Just at that moment hove in sight
The stalwart form of Gordon
Wright,
And he said, "William, get this
straight—
No monkey business on that date!
See you do good,—or else, by
heck,
That's the time I'll wring your
neck!"

Then came the horse show at Mont-
clair,
And I asked some of my friends
there,
"Say, how did I get in this thing,
Just from riding in the ring?"

And they said, "Billy, that's a snap.
It's just your nifty hunting cap!
Don't worry over what to say,
I'll wager you'll survive the day."

So here I am at this occasion
Of your sedate Association.

But seriously, looking in my mind,
There's only one thing that I find.
'Twas not for winning alone I tried,
But mainly, 'cause I love to ride.

So now, what more is there to do,

came from Paris, (U. S. A.), when two small boys and several small matches collaborated in an effort to warm up the east side of the Blue Ridge.

The laddies arrived in time to see a good haystack destroyed by fire and the two young scions of the house of Neff in imminent danger of a brisk warming up. The second blaze called the blaze busters to a woodland on the Seipp farm near Millville where negligible damage was done by a small brush fire. It is cheering to know that these efficient firefighters are standing by when the wind howls around the corners on cold nights. And that reminds us to say that the firemen now are housed in their new quarters, the first floor of which is given over to them and their equipment. Municipal headquarters take up the basement floor and here, also, is the town's first steam heated jail in all its century and a half of existence!

But make a bow, and say "Thank
you".
And wish each one of you that's here,
The best of luck throughout the
year.

Billy Jones' Appendix

As soon as he recovers from an appendectomy, Billy Jones, but recently married, is setting sail for Camden S. C., where are all Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott's good 'chasers and where he will train his own.

Tennis Over Timber

Louis Hinkle anticipates running his good old Tennis over timber this spring. The veteran hunter and brush horse should do well over post-and-rail, and Louis intends to ride himself, if Uncle Sam doesn't get him in the draft—he's been called for a physical.

Mrs. Sinclair III.

Mrs. Reginald Sinclair has been seriously ill, the result of a perforated duodenal ulcer, and it will be some weeks before she will be up and out of the Glockner Sanitarium—in Colorado Springs. Mrs. Sinclair owns the good string of 'chasers which include Noction, Old Dom, Yemasce, *Hillcastle, Black Lipan, Catstar, and Spanish Flame. Trainer Billy Hayhurst and Rider Scotty Riles are in Camden with the horses. The Sinclairs had anticipated being with them by now.

Louis Leith Loses One

Middleburg trainer Louis Leith lost a good steeplechaser prospect last Monday when his 5-year-old gelding Soaring High attempted to jump out of a paddock and broke his leg, hence had to be destroyed. A son of Sun Edwin-Blue Eagle, by Campfire, Soaring High was a good, big horse with lots of quality and would more than likely have been put to racing over jumps this spring. As a 3-year-old he raced on the flat under the colors of W. E. Hall.

Mr. Crouch Gets Spanish Jean

A new Government stallion will be located in the vicinity of Middleburg for the 1941 season. Word has just been received from Major E. H. de Saussure of the Remount headquarters at Front Royal that the young 4-year-old horse, Spanish Jean will be stationed with W. S. Crouch of Aldie. By *Jean II-Mabs H., by *Spanish Prince II, Spanish Jean was bred at Herring Brother's Heronford and Retirement Farms in the Shenandoah Valley. He raced only at two, winning at Saratoga. With Mr. Crouch's brother C. M. Crouch, also at Aldie, is the Government sire Secret Agent, while still another Remount horse at Aldie is Crowded Hours, standing with H. E. Furr.

Young Messengers Score

Last year the Messenger 2-year-olds Copperman, Fly the Coop, Hover and Staretor failed to score under Foxcatcher silks, all but Hover being unplaced in all of their outings. So trainer R. E. Handien discarded them, selling Copperman, Fly the Coop and Staretor to Hugh Nesbitt and Hover to Mrs. James F. Waters. In his very first start for Nesbitt, Copperman won easily, on January 2nd, and Staretor followed with a triumph in his second effort under Nesbitt colors, on January 10th, while already the filly Hover has won twice for Mrs. Waters, on January 4th and again on the 10th. Fly the Coop, who alone remains to make good, was in the money last week. All of these horses are racing at Santa Anita.

Rancho San Vincente

J. W. Williamson, who manages P. G. Winnett's Rancho San Vincente, but 40 minutes from Santa Anita, anticipates carding a point-to-point in April on this California hunting ranch. Further particulars will be forthcoming.

First Maiden Subscription

C. Mahlon Kline is not one to quit with misfortune. During 1940 he lost his champion 'chaser of 1939 in *Whaddon Chase and then just to wind up his season, his good *The Roost fell dead in the final hunt meeting race of the year at Montpelier on the flat. Despite this Mr. Kline, who was recently elected a member of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn., was the first to send in a subscription for the Maiden Subscription Steeplechase to be held this spring.

Lacquer Lady

The career of Fenton M. Fadeley's great-hearted jumping mare Lacquer Lady, whose sensational performances in the ring highlighted Virginia, District and Maryland shows a few years back, came to a tragic close when an injured stifle joint, received in the hunting field behind Potomac Hounds on January 4, developed complications which resulted in her death at Bethesda, Md., last Tuesday. According to reports, January 4 was to have been Lacquer Lady's last day's hunting this season. Young Mercer Fadeley, home from school for the holidays, was riding her when the accident occurred. The President's Birthday Horse Show at Fort Myer next week was to have marked the beginning of her return to regular show ring jumping competition. A series of retirements, caused by a contracted hoof which later developed into arthritis, kept Lacquer Lady away from the shows much for the past three years, but careful shoeing and diathermal treatments so restored her condition that she was able to perform successfully at the Knights of Columbus Horse Show at Meadowbrook last September and gave every indication of returning to her former brilliancy. During her first retirement she was bred to Fred J. Hughes' stallion, Saint Rock and produced the colt Lacquer Lad, who appeared as a suckling at his dam's side during her 1937 campaigning. Mr. Fadeley bought Lacquer Lady six years ago from Mrs. Andrew J. "Cy" Cummings, wife of the late President of Laurel, who foresaw her promise as a show mare and had her schooled for jumping. A daughter of Crusader—*La Grande Armee, by Verduin, she was a half sister to the good Virginia sire Grand Time.

No Golden Gate Tomorrow?

Tomorrow, January 18, was regarded until recently as the date of Golden Gate Park's probable inaugural, postponed from December 28 due to a general wash-out. Now the opening of California's newest track is indefinite. According to latest reports, the removal of the top dressing around the entire oval has been progressing satisfactorily and on schedule since it started on January 4. It is said that, after stripping operations started, the underlying strata of clay was discovered to be thoroughly packed, firm and resilient, so the big job was to remove the offending top soil. Workouts can be carried out at Bay Meadows track, which extended invitations to horsemen to make use of its facilities during Golden Gate's convalescence. Meanwhile the stable grooms are enjoying the bass fishing in San Francisco Bay.

Exemption Claimed

A colored jockey appeared before the draft board in Baltimore recently, the story is reported. "Are you here to claim exemption?", he was asked—No, sah, boss, I ain't never claimed no horse in my life."

Ruthrauff Hit by Draft

Wilbur B. Ruthrauff of Red Bank, New Jersey, a keen foxhunting enthusiast and 'chaser owner, had no more finished making plans to winter in Camden, where he could be busy with training a new steeplechase prospect, than his right-hand man, Harry Wells, trainer and hunter-stable manager got caught in Uncle Sam's draft. Okole Hao, pronounced Kouley Howe, a steeplechasing winner in his first outing, 4-year-old son of *Mocatam—Lala Koola, by Woodson, a Sanford Stud bred, is the new Ruthrauff acquisition. A grand looking individual, looking the part of a 'chaser all over, Okole Hao ran for Sidney Holloway to win at Pimlico, besting the maidens Chaloner, Balk, Raceme, Strolling On and Rosarium. Harry anticipated making a hearty plea for deferment at his local draft board this week so that he could be with Okole Hao, *Clivisse and Mr. Ruthrauff this winter in Camden.

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